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All Spanish fireside makes Church history

By MORIAH ROBERTSON

SALT LAKE CITY — A historic Hispanic Christmas Fireside for all nish-speaking members and other Hispanics interested in The urch of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints took place Sunday.

'Such an all-Hispanic event is unprecedented before in all the val- ' said Jorge Becerra, event spokesman and stake president in the per area. "People are anxious and excited and will be really blessed t by their attendance. I hope that this will be a continuing tradition ause we have had such an overwhelming response."

Originally scheduled in the Salt Lake Tabernacle, the fireside was ved to the Conference Center just days before the event because too ny people wanted to attend.

Church leaders handed out more than 15,000 tickets to this first-of- nd event.

"To bring a community to hear the messages of Christmas and sing carols in their own language is something that people are looking ward to and excited about," Becerra said. "It certainly raises the panic community at large."

Conducted entirely in Spanish, Elder Richard G. Scott and Elder M. sell Ballard delivered messages and a 500-member Hispanic choir g "Joy to the World" and "Silent Night."

Elder Scott, a member of the Quorum of the Twelve, addressed the dience in Spanish, emphasizing the rich culture of Latin heritage l customs.

"I have seen that those who lived in humble circumstances grow d prosper over insurmountable barriers," he said. "Those most suc- sful in becoming lawyers, doctors, accountants and professors have d Christ as the center of their lives. Keep your heritage and respect d and His Son, Jesus Christ."

Using a translator, Elder Ballard, a member of the Quorum of the

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Photo by Heather Winn

Benjamin, Francisco and Blake Illu attended the Hispanic Christmas Fireside Sunday with their family at the Conference Center. More than 15,000 tickets were distributed for the event. The fireside was originally planned for the Tabernacle, but was moved to the Conference Center when demand for tickets went well beyond the capacity of the Tabernacle.

Treatment center brings new life to teens

Photo by Andy von Harten

Steve Scoville, with his parents Dena and Len, successfully completed treatment at Life-Line for substance abuse.

By LARA CARDON

Fourteen months ago, Steve Scoville, 18, was hooked on marijuana, opium, mushrooms, inhalants and over-the-counter prescriptions. He was failing school and in trouble with the law. He was distant from his family.

Today, Scoville is different because his parents enrolled him in Life-Line, a nonprofit adolescent treatment center in Salt Lake City founded by local parents in 1990.

When Scoville first entered Life-Line he felt betrayed by his parents and unwilling to participate in the program, he said. But after a few weeks he said he had a change of heart.

"It takes a lot of work to not comply. It's hard to do it your way and to be defiant," Scoville said. "It's stressful, you know, mentally and emotionally. I guess there was a point where I was just tired of fighting it. There's that point where every person has to make that decision for themselves that they're gonna work and they're gonna change their lifestyle."

Scoville now attends school, holds a job, communicates with his parents and is drug-free. He wants to go to college.

Some kids choose to leave the center before they make the changes that Scoville made.

"It's an expensive program and unfortunately their parents just get too far in debt and just can't afford it," Scoville said. "There were those kids who had been here for maybe a month or two, and I worry. I worry that they're just going to go back to it (addictive behaviors)."

Last week, Baxter International undertook to help Life-Line prevent this from happening in the future. The medical supply company promised to match donations to the center dollar-for-dollar up to $40,000.

The money will go toward the Perpetual Assistance Fund that

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Elder Nelson to address students

By JARED JONES

Elder Russell M. Nelson, this Tuesday's Devotional speaker, understands the importance of living a life of service.

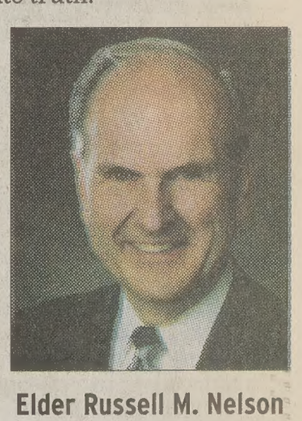
"You're only happy in life if you're rendering service," said Elder Nelson in a Church News article. "Whether I'm a surgeon or an apostle, all I need to know is that I'm doing what the Lord wants me to do. If I know that, what kind of title I have, doctor or Elder, really doesn't matter."

Elder Nelson was born Sept. 9, 1924, in Salt Lake City, where he learned to search, love and appreciate truth.

"I've always wanted to know what truth is," said Elder Nelson in a 1984 Church News article. "That's why I gravitated toward the exact sciences — math, chemistry and physics."

Elder Nelson studied at the University of Utah where he graduated with his M.D. at the age of 22.

While studying at the University of Utah, Elder Nelson met his future wife Dantzel White. He was pressured into taking a role in the university's musical production. When he arrived at the first rehearsal, he heard the voice of a dark-haired soprano.



Elder Russell M. Nelson
To speak at Devotional

When he inquired who she was, the director told Elder Nelson that she was the person he would be performing with.

"I thought she was the most beautiful girl I had ever seen and sensed that she was the one I would marry," said Elder Nelson in a 1982 Ensign article. They were married three years later on March 31, 1945, in the Salt Lake Temple.

Sister Nelson supported her husband through medical school at the University of Utah by working two jobs. However, money was still tight for them.

"Once we were in debt about $43 above our resources," said Elder Nelson in a Church News article. "To meet the debt, I picked her up after school, took her to LDS Hospital where we each sold a pint of blood for $25, then took her to work at the music store."

After graduating in 1947, Elder Nelson served an internship and residency at the University of Minnesota Medical School. He received a doctorate degree from the University of Minnesota in 1954.

While studying at the University of Minnesota, Elder Nelson participated in the development of a machine that could take

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Spirit of season prompts service among students

By NICOLE MATSEN

Service opportunities for students are available through the Jacobsen Center for Service and Learning

BYU students are getting into the spirit of e holidays by getting involved in service pro- ams through the Jacobsen Center for Service d Learning.

Misa Matsumori, 24, a senior from Salt Lake ity, majoring in recreation management outh leadership, is the student director for the acobsen Center and said the center is in harge of almost 30 of the student-run pro- rams.

Matsumori said there is definitely an influx students during the holidays.

"Actually, our busiest time is at the begin- ing of fall semester," Matsumori said. "But it icks back up during the holiday season."

Matsumori also said though individual students do come into the center interested in service programs, mainly groups come in during the holidays to participate in a service project.

"I notice a lot of family home evening groups coming in around this time," Matsumori said. "The leaders come in looking for a holiday project to do for one of their activities."

Matsumori said Christmas-related service projects are the most popular among students.

However, Matsumori said she is concerned that once finals begin students will become less involved in service projects.

"Last year our Sub-for-Santa really struggled," Matsumori said. "A lot of people fell through because of finals and people leaving to go home for the break."

Along with the holiday spirit prompting students to serve, the season also brings accessible and convenient forms of service.

"Everyone in general during the holiday season is more inclined to give," said Sarah Hancock, 23, a junior from Kansas City, Kan., majoring in psychology. "It is the spirit of Christmas. Plus, people don't have to go out and search for service — opportunities are right there in front of them."

[Weather]

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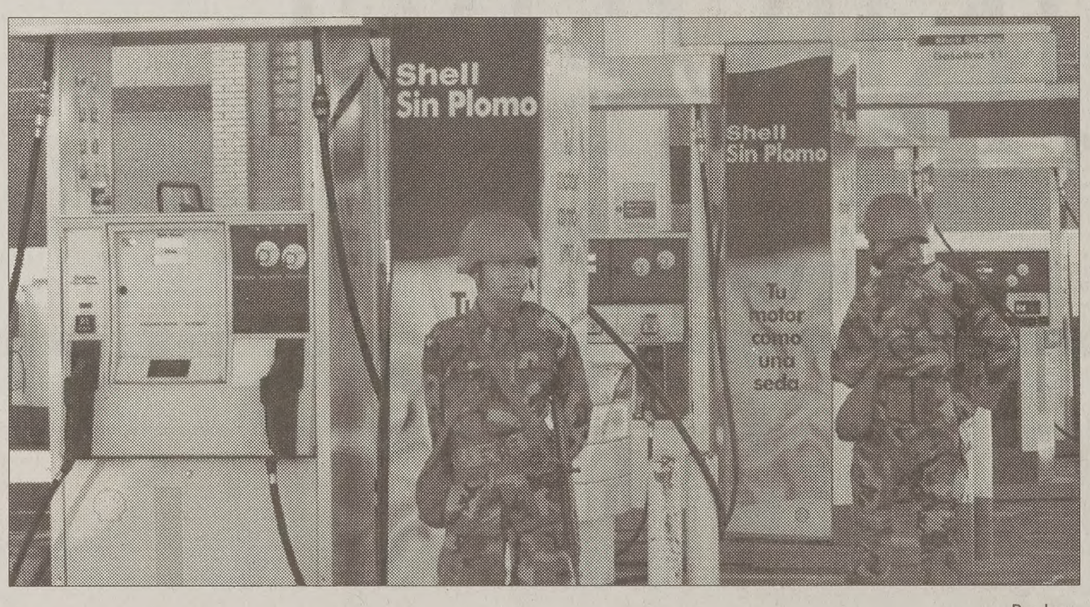

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Venezualan Army soldiers stand guard at a gas station in Caracas during a national strike against President Hugo Chavez's government. The country is the world's fifth largest petroleum exporter and the recent seven day oil strike has cut deep into the country's vital oil industry.

Demonstrators killed in Venezuelan protests

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Weeping over a flower-draped coffin, mourners on Sunday buried a teen-ager felled in the latest round of Venezuela's political violence. President Hugo Chavez threatened to declare the equivalent of martial law to end a strike that has crippled the country's giant oil industry.

Relatives held an overnight wake before burying Keyla Guerra, 18, the youngest of three people killed Friday night when gunmen opened fire on a peaceful opposition rally demanding Chavez's resignation.

"If my daughter's death contributes to the freedom of my country, I will have some consolation," her mother said.

As the oil crisis deepened, Chavez sent national guard troops to many gas stations Sunday to prevent unrest. He said he might call a state of emergency — the equivalent of martial law — if the strike, which began Dec. 2, is extended.

"It's a possibility, depending on the evolution of the situation," Chavez said. "You have to be patient when making this kind of decision. Like a good batter, you have to take a strike, sometimes even two."

On Friday, Guerra accompanied her father to the Plaza Francia, an opposition rallying point, in support of a general strike against Chavez's rule.

At about 7 p.m., shots rang out among the crowd of hundreds. Three people were killed and 28 were wounded.

Typhoon hits Guam

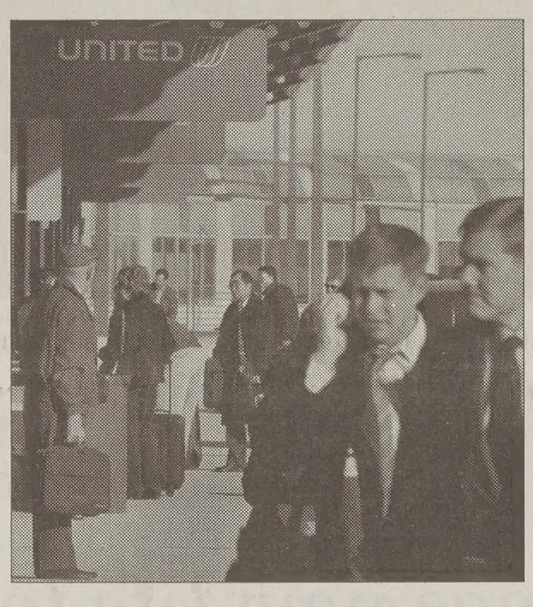
HAGATNA, Guam (AP) — A day after Guam was raked by a severe typhoon with wind gusts estimated at more than 180 mph, the U.S. territory on Monday asked for a federal disaster declaration.

Although Typhoon Pongsona had moved away from the island, Guam still was being shaken by wind up to 70 mph.

No deaths were reported, but the entire island was without electricity, and water and sewer systems aren't expected to be fully operational for several weeks, Gov. Carl Gutierrez said Monday.

"There is no doubt that the impact of this latest storm will be devastating," Gutierrez said in a letter asking President Bush to declare Guam a federal disaster area.

Typhoon Pongsona hit Guam on Sunday, covering the islands for hours.



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As passengers arrive at Chicago's O'Hare airport, United Airlines is teetering on the brink of bankruptcy after they were denied federal loan guarantees.

United to file Chapter 11

CHICAGO (AP) — United Airlines plans to file Monday for federal bankruptcy court protection, a source close to the company said Sunday.

The Chapter 11 filing would be the largest airline bankruptcy in U.S. history, and one of the nation's largest bankruptcies ever.

The filing would put a federal judge in charge of overseeing the tangled financial affairs of United, which owes nearly $1 billion in overdue debt payments that would use up most of its remaining cash.

United has been unable to stop more than two years of swelling losses and was rejected last week in a plea for a federal loan guarantee.

Union leaders have told their members a bankruptcy filing is imminent and unavoidable, and CEO Glenn Tilton has told employees it was becoming "a more likely outcome."

The airline has pledged to keep flying under Chapter 11.

Bombs blast Bangladesh

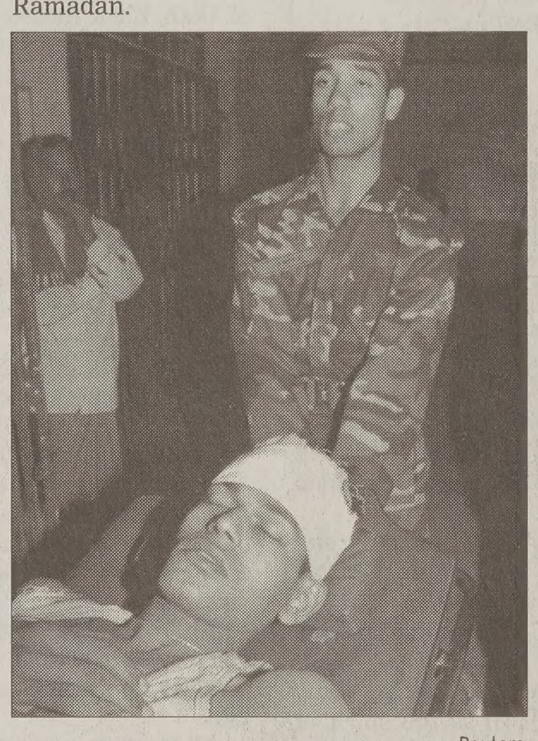
DHAKA, Bangladesh(AP) — Bangladesh authorities questioned movie theater employees Sunday after a string of deadly bomb explosions at four crowded cinemas, and the government ruled out al-Qaida involvement in the attacks.

The blasts Saturday night tore through movie houses during a 30-minute period, killing 18 people and injuring more than 200 in Mymensingh, a small town 70 miles north of the capital, Dhaka.

The government ordered heightened security at mosques, temples, churches, shopping malls and theaters and appointed a retired judge to launch an investigation.

Visiting the attacks sites Sunday, Prime Minister Khaleda Zia said police had many leads and that "those who are responsible will be tracked down and put on trial."

The bombs were planted in the theaters' projection rooms, a police officer said on condition of anonymity. They exploded while the cinemas were packed with early evening moviegoers — most of them Muslims celebrating the Eid-ul-Fitr festival marking the end of the fasting month Ramadan.



Reuters

A Bangladeshi soldier transports a bomb blast victim. A series of near-simultaneous bomb blasts hit four movie theaters killing at least 15 people during a Muslim celebration for the Eid al-Fitr festival.

Iraq, U.S. face off

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq challenged the United States on Sunday to produce evidence it still has weapons of mass destruction. "Why play a game?" a top adviser to President Saddam Hussein asked.

As the huge collection of documents on Iraq's nuclear, chemical and biological programs was being flown to the U.N. headquarters, Lt. Gen. Amer Al-Saadi said the declaration demanded by the United Nations is accurate and complete.

Al-Saadi told reporters that the report contains no new Iraqi evidence to answer lingering questions inspectors have about crucial part of Baghdad's chemical and biological weapons programs. Baghdad has previously presented "first-class evidence" that was ignored for political reasons, he said.

Bush administration officials reject such Iraqi denials and threaten war if, in their view, Baghdad does not meet U.N. arms control demands. They say they have "solid evidence" Iraq retains weapons of mass destruction, but U.N. inspectors indicate they have seen no conclusive evidence thus far from U.S. or other sources.

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y cats such as this one at the Utah County Animal Shelter stand little chance of being adopted. A new state bill proposes unadoptable pets be anized to make room for ones that have a chance of finding a new home.

Bill aims to open spaces at animal shelters

Unlikely candidates for adoption may be euthanized quickly to make space

By CALLIE BUYS

Last month marked a good for dogs and cats in the Utah unty Animal Shelter: only 63 cent, or 345 animals, had to destroyed, according to ani- attendant Jacky Barlow.

According to its Web site, the lter usually euthanizes 80 cent of the approximately 600 mals that briefly inhabit its dog kennels and 57 cat ken- s each month.

Proposed legislation encour- d by Utah County Commis- ner Jerry Grover and spon- ed by Rep. Darin Peterson, R- ohi, would allow local animal lters to quickly hanize unadopt- e animals, leaving re space for pets t may be adopted claimed by their ners.

The legislation, ed "Disposition of perty: Feral Cats," uld designate Sat- days as possible cking days to euth- ze stray animals and would w stray cats to be euthanized thout a waiting period, Peter- said.

"Unfortunately, a lot of the ce in these kennels is being en by unadoptable animals," erson said. "In the mean- e, they're racking up all se costs for the extra days y have to keep these animals ound."

Current law requires shelters hold animals for at least three rking days, not including ekends, before euthanizing em. The waiting period, shed by the Humane Society d passed into law in 1995, aims give owners a chance to claim t pets.

The animals collected at the d of the week must be fed and en care of for extra days over e weekend, at added cost to the elters.

"There's no doubt it would ve us money," Grover said. here's a financial element, but s not our driving factor."

Chris Jenkins, animal con- l administrative assistant at e Orem Animal Shelter, favors e proposal.

The wild cats the legislation would affect will never or rarely be claimed, she said, and the new rules would save space for other animals.

"It (a feral cat) is wild. It would rip your face off if you tried to hold it," she said. "We want to have more space for adoptable ones.".

The Humane Society of Utah opposes the bill, pointing to difficulties in differentiating between an anxious, scared pet and a feral cat.

"I would defy anyone to be able to say upon immediately seeing these cats that they were feral and should be euthanized at once," Gene Baierschmidt, executive director of the Humane Society, stated in a news release.

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>
> **Chris Jenkins**
> Animal Control administrative assistant

Grover said no one would ever claim the feral cats.

"There's a population out there that have never been owned by anyone. They were born as strays, raised as strays," he said.

The Humane Society worries that a loved pet, acting out in a strange environment, will be euthanized before the owner can check the local shelters. The society also cautions the passage of the bill from a Constitutional perspective.

"Rep. Peterson's proposal involves the destruction of personal property without due process, which violates a guaranteed right of all Americans," Baierschmidt said in the release.

The bill, largely unwritten and not yet numbered, will amend the state's judicial code on property, Grover said. It may also include special provisions for organizations such as the Humane Society, Peterson said.

For Peterson, the issue boils down to a simple debate between state and municipal control.

"It's a local issue," he said. "The unfortunate thing is that sometimes in the past the legislature has stepped into this. They did this with good intention, but it leaves local governments to exorbitant costs."

Utah County's animal shelters are "chalk full," Grover said. A new, larger shelter to replace the Utah County Animal Shelter will be completed next year.

Peterson's plan would allow city and county animal shelters to use or to ignore the new allowances.

"We're not telling them (animal shelters) they have to do this; we're just giving them the opportunity," Peterson said.

The Orem Animal Shelter, which serves northern Utah County cities, has 54 dog kennels and 22 cat kennels. It usually houses between 400 and 600 animals per month. Thursday, the shelter had approximately 30 cats and over 40 dogs.

While the shelter waits to euthanize adoptable pets if space allows, the mandatory waiting period sometimes forces the shelter to kill adoptable animals to make room for unadoptable animals, Jenkins said.

The shelter euthanizes a majority of the cats it houses, with people adopting about 2 percent of the shelter's cats and owners claiming another 2 percent, Jenkins said.

Dogs tend to fare better. The shelter releases approximately 30 percent of dogs to their owners and another 30 percent to adoption, while most of the rest are euthanized.

"Cats don't adopt very well at all," Jenkins said. "We do adopt a lot more dogs than we do cats — a lot more."

Barlow notes that certain characteristics, such as appearance and personality, make animals more or less likely to be adopted.

"Most people don't want to adopt black animals, so a lot of black labs and (black) cats get put to sleep," she said.

And while euthanizing animals comes with the job description for animal shelter employees, it doesn't become any easier.

"There have been times in the past where I have gone home and had nightmares," Jenkins said. "It's not easy for anyone."

Proponents and opponents of the bill alike say the debate about euthanasia could be avoided if pet owners acted responsibly and spayed and neutered their pets.

Speed, accident claims go up nationwide

By CHRIS STEVENS

Despite a decrease of auto accidents in the past 20 years, injury claims have increased in both Utah and the United States.

A speed limit increase to 65 mph on highways has coincided with a 50 percent increase in injury claims since 1980, said Rolayne Fairclough of the American Automobile Association.

The speed at which vehicles collide is the primary reason for increased injuries, she said. State highway officials have seen an increase in the severity of auto accidents since the new speed limit laws went into effect a few years ago.

"More cars are equipped with safety features, such as airbags and antilock brakes, but increased speed equals increased injuries," Fairclough said.

The Automobile Association considers many of the injury claims to be minor because the injuries do not require a hospital stay or time off from work, she said.

The injury claims in Utah are below the national average because drivers cannot sue for pain and suffering stemming from an auto accident unless they have lost a limb, become permanently disabled or disfigured or have a medical expense exceeding $3,000, said Cathy Howick of the Utah Department of Insurance.

Families can only sue on behalf of a person if that person died from injuries sustained in the accident.

The states with the highest number of injury claims have the most liberal laws regarding compensation for pain and suffering incurred through an accident, said Beth Sprinkel, Insurance Research Council senior vice president.

"People seem more willing to file bodily injury claims than they were 20 years ago," she said.

Massachusetts, considered to have the least restrictive laws regarding injury claims, owns the highest injury claim rate at 2.22 per 100 vehicles, doubling the national average of 1.11, Sprinkel said.

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> **Rolayne Fairclough**
> American Automobile Association

The IRC reported the number of property damage claims in Utah declined by 5.46 percent from 1980 to 2000. In spite of the decrease, Utah remains above the national average by 1.9 percent.

Auto insurance coverage pays for property damage to vehicles after a driver reports an accident, Fairclough said. Better roads and efforts to promote safer driving have led to the drop in property damage claims, Sprinkel said.

Last year, Utah drivers reported 52,704 crashes, less than a 1 percent decrease from previous years.

Among the accidents, 19,500 injury accidents were reported and 259 accidents had at least one driving fatality, Fairclough said.

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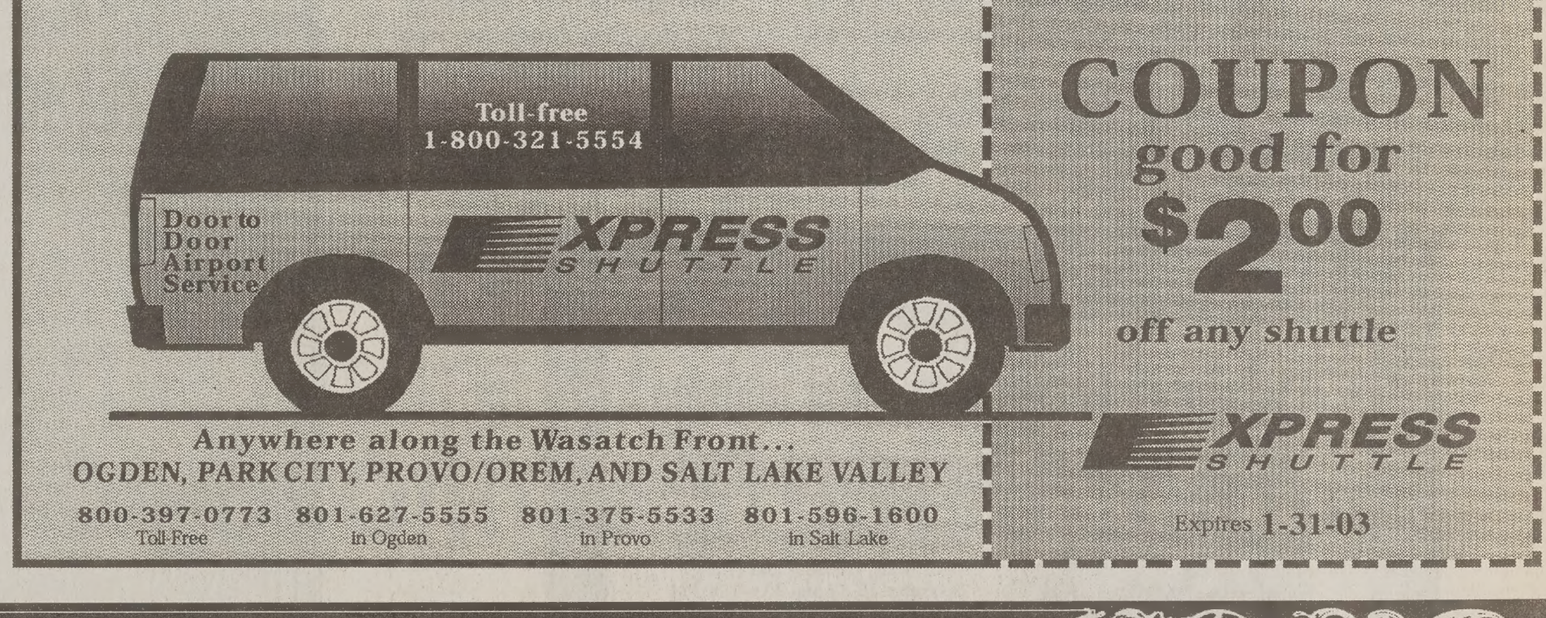

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Twelve, related how his grandfather, Melvin J. Ballard, had dedicated South America in 1925 for the preaching of the gospel.

"My grandfather pronounced the most profound prophecy that the work was very small like an acorn tree but that it would grow into a mighty tree," he said. "The Latin American people would rise up and be a great force in these days. Now, we see hundreds of wards, branches, stakes and units prosper. It's almost unbelievable the progress of the church in 77 years."

In a surprise visit, President Boyd K. Packer of the Quorum of the Twelve also spoke in Spanish as he highlighted the growth of the church outside the United States.

"The church is no longer only in America; it is in Central America, South America, Europe and Africa," President Packer said. "Spanish-speaking members are very important to the church."

Spanish-speaking individuals wanting to learn more about the church's belief in Jesus Christ and LDS members of the Utah North Area and the Utah South Area were invited to attend the fireside.

Both areas combined encompass the entire state of Utah and part of Wyoming.

Goinzalo Pereyra, 26, of Taylorsville, whose parents sang in the choir, brought a nonmember friend to the fireside.

"It's cool to come so we can feel the things in our language," he said. "I think it's nice to hear from church leaders."

Baptized last month, LDS member Julia Guzman, 41, of Salt Lake but originally from Guatemala City, said her husband doesn't speak English and she only speaks a little English.

"It's great that it's in my own language," she said. "I am so happy about that. It made me feel so proud that the church did this."

Al-Qaida threatens U.S., Israel with more attacks

Associated Press

Terrorist spokesman takes credit for Kenya attack on militant Web site

CAIRO, Egypt — Al-Qaida threatened faster, harder strikes against the United States and Israel in a statement attributed to the group that appeared on a militant Web site Sunday.

"The Jewish Crusader coalition will not be safe anywhere from the fighters' attacks," the audio statement said, using a term common among Islamic militants for what they see as a U.S.-Israeli alliance.

"We will hit the most vital centers and we will strike against its strategic operations with all possible means."

The statement was attributed to al-Qaida spokesman Sulaiman Abu Ghaith. The site, which has posted previous statements attributed to the terror network, included what appeared to be a photograph taken from a frame from video of Abu Ghaith.

The Web site also posted a text version of the statement.

The pan-Arab satellite station Al-Jazeera broadcast parts of the audio version and said the voice sounded similar to that on past al-Qaida videotapes featuring Abu Ghaith.

The whereabouts of Abu Ghaith, along with al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden, have been a mystery since the terror network was chased out of its haven in Afghanistan by U.S. bombing following the Sept. 11 attacks.

"We will chase the enemy using the weapon of 'terror' by widening fighting fronts and conducting more concentrated and faster operations ... so (the enemy) feels unsafe and unstable on land, air and sea," the statement said.

The statement also said a purport... al-Qaida claim of responsibility for t... Nov. 28 attacks on Israel targets ... Kenya was genuine. That claim w... posted on several other Islamic sit... last week.

The attacks in Kenya included ... hotel bombing that killed 10 Kenyan... three Israelis and the bombers, and ... botched attempt to shoot down ... Israeli charter plane.

Sunday's statement said al-Qaid... does not usually claim responsibili... for attacks but would do so "accordin... to the relevant circumstances."

U.S. officials have said they consi... ered the claim of responsibility for t... Kenya attacks to be credible.

Terrorism experts believe al-Qaid... has made use of the Internet, whic... enables people to communicate cheap... widely and anonymously.

It has been difficult to trace and co... firm postings attributed to al-Qaid... that appear periodically on sever... sites.

Nelson

Devotional to feature Elder Nelson

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over the functions of a patient's heart and lungs while the heart was being repaired. The machine was first used in 1951 during the open-heart surgery of a human being.

After receiving his doctorate, Elder Nelson returned to Utah and in 1955 became the first surgeon to perform open-heart surgery in Utah.

In 1972, Elder Nelson performed heart surgery on Elder Spencer W. Kimball. Before the operation, Elder Nelson received a blessing by President Harold B. Lee.

"I was promised that the operation would be performed without error, that all would go well and that I need not fear for my own inadequacies, for I had been raised by the Lord to perform this operation," said Elder Nelson in a 1982 Ensign article.

Elder Nelson said he felt like the man he had just operated on would become the president of the church.

Elder Nelson has served as a stake president, general president of the Sunday School and regional representative. Elder Nelson was called to be an apostle on April 7, 1984 to fill the vacancy in the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles left by the death of LeGrande Richards.

Church suspends LDS scholar's hearing

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A Mormon church disciplinary council hearing scheduled for Sunday night that was expected to end with the excommunication of a University of Washington scholar whose writings publicly alleged racism in the Book of Mormon has been postponed indefinitely.

Thomas W. Murphy, 35, said in a Saturday letter to supporters that the proceedings would be canceled due to widespread publicity his case has received. His ecclesiastical leader also cited Murphy's public statements that being excommunicated would hurt his relationship with his southern Idaho family, descendants of the first Mormon pioneers.

Murphy said Matthew Latimer, President of the Lynnwood Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "wants to take some more time to get to know me and invited me to have some more private discussions before taking any further action."

Latimer said he thought it "best not to proceed at this time," and said Murphy has the right to ask that his name be removed from church rolls. Murphy said he hadn't made that request — and won't.

"I think he would prefer that," Murphy said Sunday. "I do value my Mormon heritage. I would rather make a constructive contribution to the church's abandonment of its racist beliefs about American Indians than to leave the church."

Murphy's trouble with the church grew from an article published in the May 2002 Signature Books anthology, "American Apocrypha," that used genetic data to discredit the Book of Mormon claim that American Indians are descendants of ancient Israel. The conclusion also is the thesis of his doctoral dissertation.

Rallies and vigils for Murphy had been planned at Murphy's stake center in Lynnwood, Wash.; Salt Lake City; Seattle; Los Angeles; Oakland, Calif.; Portland, Ore.; and Washington, D.C. All but the Salt Lake City vigil were canceled. About 40 people showed for the hour-long demonstration at Salt Lake City, holding signs saying, "Thomas Murphy Burned at the Stake Center" and "Proud to be a DNA Mormon."

One of the demonstrators was Shane Whelan, author of the book "More than One: Plural Marriage A Sacred Heritage," who was excommunicated in July for apostasy after he refused church orders to cease selling his book and writing about polygamy.

"Everybody in the church should be concerned about censorship, not just excommunication," he said.

Demonstrators marched quietly around the Main Street plaza, where thousands of people were observing the church's annual Christmas light display. The plaza has been a source of fierce dispute since an appeals court in October ruled the church couldn't enforce restrictions on speech and behavior.

When demonstrators stopped in front of the Mormon temple gates to voice their protests, some observers were taken aback to discover some of the protesters included Mormons.

"It's their right to protest," said church member John Olson of Orem. "But it makes me wonder why (Murphy) wants to be a member of the church, but wants to disprove it."

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Treatment

Center brings hope for adolescent recovery

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"We think this $80,000 will be geometric as it grows and other people pay it back, where it will be that our alumni families are providing many opportunities for families who can't afford it to receive the treatment," said Vern Utley, Life-Line's executive director.

If Life-Line raises $80,000, 10 to 20 more teens can be sponsored.

The cost of the program is $2,000 a month. It lasts about 10 months, depending on the teen's progress.

Scoville's parents couldn't have afforded the program without the help of a sponsor.

"Toward the end I lost my job and was job hunting too, so it was kind of a tough time," said Scoville's father, Len Scoville. "Plus we had some huge medical bills from my other son during that same period."

Utley said no treatment facility in Utah is less expensive than Life-Line, and most cost more.

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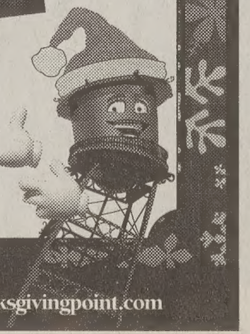

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Debt can cause problems, confusion for BYU students

BRIAN STEFFEN

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Relieve that students would nore about budgeting and if they understood that it make them millionaires," said Todd Martin, a financial aid officer at BYU.

Martin said 40 percent of BYU students receive loans or grants, and in recent graduations, student debt at BYU has averaged $11,500 for undergraduates, between $18,000 and $20,000 for masters and between $27,000 and $28,000 for those with doctorates.

Debt for school is only one part of the issue.

According to the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, 46 percent of dependent undergraduate credit card holders report a balance month to month with a median total of $1,600, while 59 percent of independent undergraduates carry a month-to-month median total of $2,200 on credit cards.

According to Martin, most students do not receive any personal financial counseling from any source whether it is parents, school instructors or ecclesiastical leaders.

A lack of financial education among students has led to some unusual experiences for members of BYU's Financial Aid Department.

The department has worked with students who have come into the office and wanted to know why the bank told them they have to stop spending money because they're all out, Martin said.

The students were confused and asked Martin's staff, "Why does the bank say I'm out of money? I've still got checks in my checkbook."

Others in the Financial Aid Department tell how they have worked with students who were unaware they had to pay a bill for credit cards. They thought people could simply run a card through a machine and that was all it took to make purchases.

Financial planning is not only a concern at BYU. At the October General Conference of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, President Gordon B. Hinckley counseled church members to, "Discipline yourselves in matters of spending, in matters of borrowing, in practices that lead to bankruptcy and the agony that comes therewith."

For students at BYU Hinckley's words should be a wake-up call, Martin said.

"Too many students have to learn the negative opportunity costs of credit cards, cell phones and fast food," he said.

Martin said he would strongly caution students to use wise financial planning early in their lives and particularly now that they are at school.

"We've had too many people have to leave the career, the town or the lifestyle they wanted in order to secure the finances available to pay off their loans," Martin said.

Armando Gutierrez, a sophomore from Mexico, majoring in computer engineering, said he feels one of the major reasons for student debt is marriage

"Maybe it's part of the culture here. People expect huge weddings," he said.

Gutierrez said the mindset that people in the Unites States have in relation to debt is slightly different then the mindset people from Mexico.

"People use credit cards more in the United States," Gutierrez said. "In Mexico we try to live within our means and limit ourselves. There aren't as many ways to get out of debt."

One way that people in Mexico control their spending is by keeping most of their money in cash, Gutierrez said. "It helps you keep track of your money. You know exactly how much you have."

When asked if he had any tips on how BYU students could better keep track of their money Martin said, "That's tough. It's like asking the president of the church to speak to the youth of the church in one paragraph. Where do you start?"

Martin said most students could avoid debt if they would learn to work full time during the spring and summer terms and half time in the fall and winter semesters.

"Doing this, more students could graduate debt-free and that empowers them to begin investing for a strong financial future," Martin said.

CAMPUS Guide

TUESDAY

Russell M. Nelson will address ents at Devotional at 11:05 a.m. in Marriott Center.

ent Showcase will feature **Songers' Showcase** at 7:30 p.m. in sen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

University Orchestra, University gs and the **Trombone Choir** will rm at 7:30 p.m. in the de Jong ert Hall. Admission is free.

WEDNESDAY

Burning River Brass will be perming a concert at 7:30 p.m. in the de Concert Hall. Tickets are $9, $6 BYU or student ID.

ent Showcase will feature the dwind Chamber at 7:30 p.m. in the sen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

s Basketball vs. San Diego at 7 p.m. e Marriott Center.

en's Basketball vs. George Washon University at 7 p.m. in Washing-D.C.

THURSDAY

Day of Classes.

University Chorale performs under direction of Paul Broomhead at 7:30 p.m. in the de Jong Concert Hall. Admission is free.

The **Jazz Lab Band** will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Madsen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

The **BYU Motion Picture Archive Series** will show the original **uncut version** of **It's a Wonderful Life** with James Stewart in the Harold B. Lee Library level 1 auditorium. Doors open at 6:30 and seating is on a first come, first served basis for ages 8 and above.

FRIDAY

Reading Day

Women's Volleyball NCAA Regional Finals today and Saturday.

SATURDAY

Reading Day.

Men's Basketball vs. Utah State at 7 p.m. in the Marriott Center.

Women's Basketball vs. North Carolina State at 2 p.m. in Raleigh.

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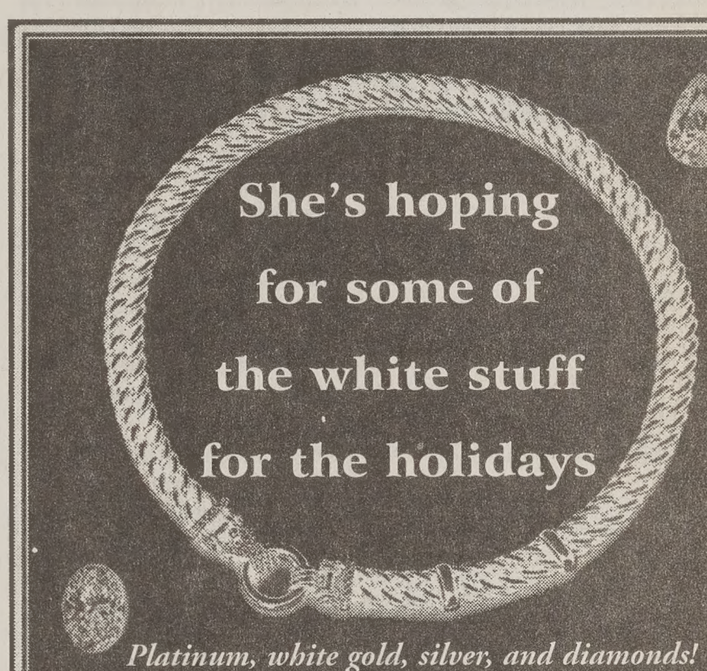

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LDS historian living his dream at BYU

Church convert Scott Faulring works with Joseph Fielding Smith Institute

BY NATHANIEL H. WADSWORTH

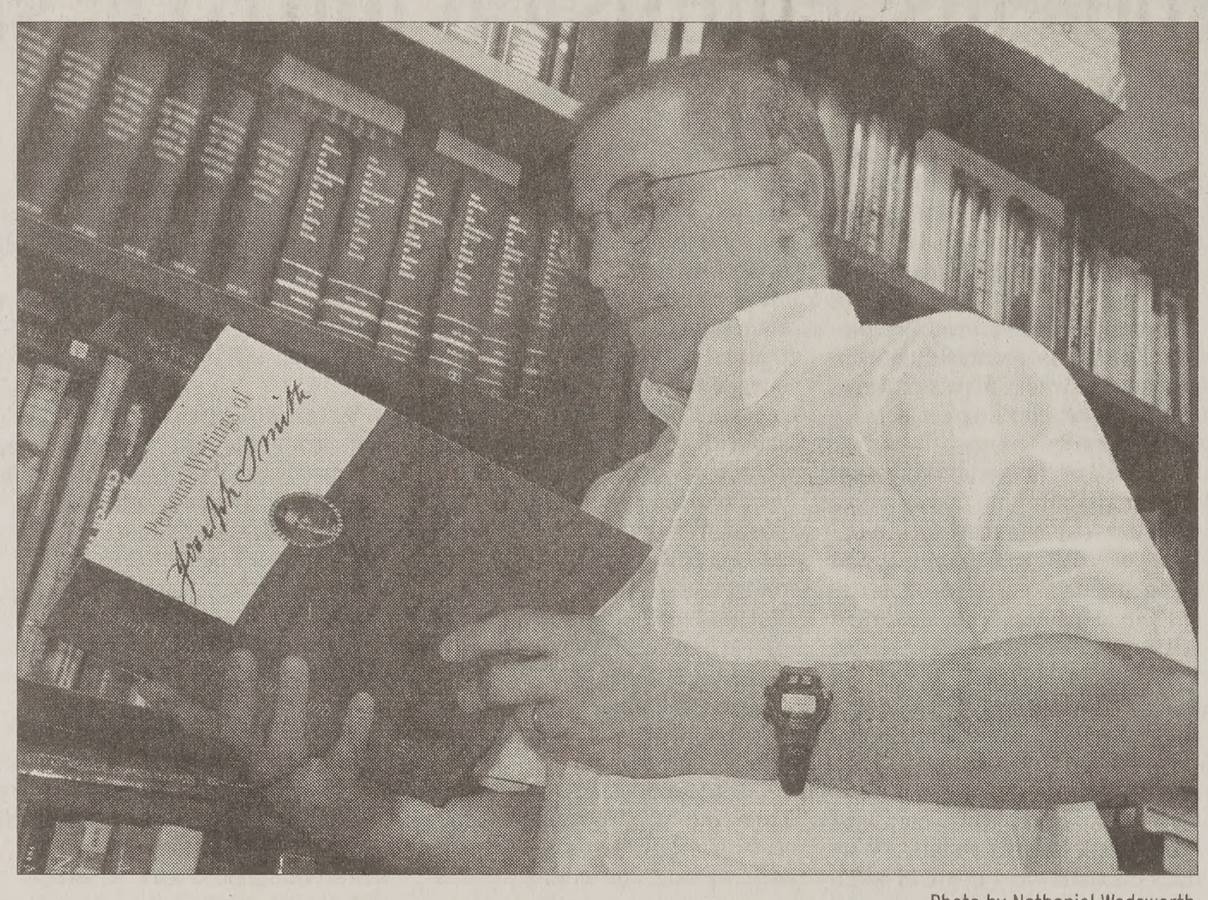

Photo by Nathaniel Wadsworth

Scott Faulring is an Air Force veteran from Niagara Falls, N.Y., whose interest in church history was sparked by a talk he heard as a young adult.

Say "Mormon historian" and students may automatically think of a white-haired old man who spends his days hunched over books, searching for boring things to talk about.

Indeed some may fit that mold, but not Scott H. Faulring, the short, quick-witted former-Air Force captain whose conversations sometimes turn to Pink Floyd and U2.

"Some historians tend to be pompous and boring," said Richard Lloyd Anderson, senior research fellow at the Joseph Fielding Smith Institute for Latter-day Saint History. "Scott has a great humility and a great sense of humor about human foibles. He is never boring."

In some ways, Faulring is like Joseph Smith, his favorite person in church history.

One of Faulring's favorite stories of the prophet occurred in Kirtland, Ohio, in the early days of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

A proclaimed minister came to Joseph Smith's home and began arguing about religion. The prophet grabbed the man by the collar and threw him out of the yard.

Faulring had a similar experience in New York City two years ago.

He was there with Dean C. Jessee, a noted church historian, after visiting the Papers of Thomas Jefferson Project at Princeton University. The two were eating lunch at a Blimpie restaurant when a drunken man approached and began panhandling and arguing with them.

The man used some colorful language, and Jessee said he had to stop Scott from fighting the man to avoid an "international situation."

"I learned after that it's not worth endangering myself," Faulring said. "I should have just given him a dollar."

Though Faulring has a different way of doing things, he is committed to his religion.

Faulring, a church convert, is living his dream at BYU as an LDS historian for the Joseph Fielding Smith Institute and plans to keep at it for years to come.

"You talk about falling from the turnip wagon and into the hayfield," Faulring says. "I'm very happy here doing what I love to do."

Some projects Faulring is currently working on are the "Documentary History of Oliver Cowdery" and "Joseph Smith's New Translation of the Bible: Original Manuscripts."

Faulring is an outspoken man who shares freely what is on his mind. He is uncomfortable in a tie, has an opinion about everything and often jokes about his partying days, before he became church member.

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> **Scott Faulring**
> Joseph Fielding Smith Institute

Faulring was brought up in Niagara Falls, N.Y., where he went to whichever church had the best Boy Scout program. Though he grew up only a short distance from the birthplace of the Restoration, he never heard about The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints until years later.

He was stationed in Cheyenne, Wyo., with the Air Force in 1974 where he guarded nuclear missiles and eventually took an administrative position. Faulring said he remembers the day in late December 1976 when someone warned him of a change.

"John Miller is coming to work with you," a fellow airman said to Faulring, "and watch out; he's a Mormon."

Faulring said all he knew about the church at that time was that it had the Granite Mountain Vault in Utah. He couldn't tell a Mormon from a Lutheran.

"That warning made me pay attention to John Miller," Faulring said.

He said he noticed Miller did not smoke, drink or swear, all common things in the Air Force. But Miller was also not a religious "freak." He lived his religion, but he wasn't showy about it.

Within two months of meeting Miller, Faulring had read the Book of Mormon and was baptized.

"This was what I was seeking," Faulring said. "This is exactly what I needed."

Shortly after his baptism Faulring was back in western New York where he met Barbara Sykes, whom he later married.

In the spring of 1978 the engaged couple attended a regional young adult conference in Ithaca, N.Y., where one of the speakers was Richard L. Bushman.

The announced topic of Bushman's discourse was "Getting to know Joseph Smith from his personal writings."

Faulring said he wasn't aware of Joseph Smith's personal writings and wondered how much one could really learn from them.

Bushman's address impressed Faulring, however, and sparked his interest in church history.

Faulring came to BYU in June 1978 as a student where he took church history classes from Robert J. Matthews and Larry C. Porter. Their work with early church manuscripts fascinated Faulring. He developed a passion for original Mormon manuscripts.

"And the rest is history, as they say," Faulring said.

During the next few years Faulring said he spent his spare time doing research at the LDS Church Archives and writing on church history. Between reassignments with the Air Force, which included going to Germany, Turkey and Saudi Arabia, Faulring found fun and relaxation doing historical research.

During that time he produced several historical works, including the book "An American Prophet's Record," which includes 10 manuscript diaries and journals of Joseph Smith.

In 1992, Faulring came back to BYU as an assistant professor of Aerospace Studies in the ROTC program. Three years later he retired from the Air Force and began working as a research associate for the Foundation for Ancient Research and Mormon Studies.

In 1999 he was hired as a research historian for the Joseph Fielding Smith Institute.

Faulring said he feels blessed to now be working with his role models on church history projects.

Bookstore coordinate teddy bear giveawa

Bears to be gifts for needy children

By RUTH BUSBEE

Hundreds of bears hang from the ceiling of the BYU Bookstore waiting for a home —some will go home with Bookstore patrons and some of them will go to a child in need.

The Bookstore is reaching out to local charities this holiday season by facilitating patron donations of bears to charity. When a patron buys $100 worth of merchandise from the Bookstore, that patron will receive a limited-edition bear. The bear can be kept or donated to either the Children's Justice Center or the Pediatrics Unit at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center.

"We already have a whole bunch of bears that people have donated to charity," said Rowdy Simmons, Bookstore creative service manager. "It's nice thing because it comes from the BYU community."

The Bookstore ordered 1,000 bears. At the end of the holiday season, any remaining bears (as well as the bears donated by customers) will be donated to the charities.

Linda Brummet, ge book department manage sented the idea to donat bears. Brummet has involved with making bea various charities through local LDS ward.

"Partly because my has been so active in ma bears, I have been conscio them as a therapeutic They're something snugg hold on to when you're afr Brummet said.

The bears donated t nonprofit Children's Ju Center will go to children have been at the center.

"We greatly appreciate one's donations," said L Blanchard, director of the dren's Justice Center. "V children leave the cente give them a bear for comfo

Simmons said the Book would like to give a coup hundred of the bears t charities.

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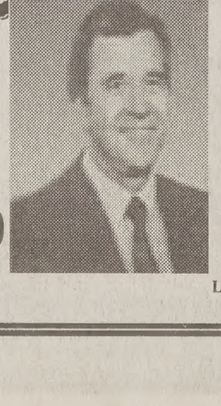

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that time of year again — tmas gift giving. Money's time is limited, and yet are many presents to be giv- family and friends. Students heir creativity instead of wallets to give great gifts on budgets.

hate going to the mall and ing for Christmas gifts," on Kearl, 22, a junior from , majoring in accounting. "I for bargains at Deseret tries or MacFrugals ots!). It's more fun to give rous gifts."

idents like Kearl take time g the holidays to shop for fts to give family members ome up with creative ways re the holiday joy.

e usually draw names with- r family and give gifts to one brother or sister. That t saves you money, but you et a great gift," Kearl said.

idents also said searching cal malls and online stores ferred.

always go big on my par- gifts," said Nick Johnson, 22, a junior from Provo, majoring in political science. "It's definitely a hands-on process. I search around until I find the perfect gift. Initially I do look for bargains, but if something catches my eye, then I buy it."

As the season wears on and Christmas shopping become more of a hassle than a joyous task, students say they start to get creative when it comes to gift-giving.

"It's always great to make something for your friends," said Mia Larson, 20, a sophomore from Scottsdale, Ariz., majoring in marketing. "Getting home-made gifts mean so much more."

Larson suggested making picture collages or doing something creative. "With my friends we give gifts to each other, but set a price limit first."

Other students recommended baking cookies or cooking dinner for those on their list.

"I usually buy gifts for my closest friends and then write thoughtful cards for other friends," said Abbey Whitman, 23, a junior from Dallas, majoring in recreation therapy. "But making fudge or cookies is a great way to save money and still give gifts people will love."

With the hectic times of finals and rushing to find the perfect gift, it is important to remember the meaning of presents, said some students.

"It's good to do something small and let your friends and family know you are thinking about them," said Reagan Rehder, 25, a senior from Seattle, majoring in international relations. "It's not about how much you spend, but the thought behind it."

Making gifts that add your personal touch and personality is also a fun way to show friends people care.

"I like to make all my own gifts like finger painting, pottery or clay objects," said Dave Lund, 23, a junior from California, majoring in business. "It saves me money and is a fun way to get together with friends, listen to Christmas music and share the Christmas spirit."

Reuters

Shoppers scramble for Christmas gifts now that Thanksgiving is done.

Cruise ships upset travel industry

Stomach viruses may hurt lines more than terrorism threats

Associated Press

AMI — The cruise industry hoped 2003 would bring an the uncertainty that shad- the business since the ter- attacks. With the recent eak of stomach viruses on ships, the outlook for next s even more unclear.

dustry executives and ana- were already wondering if nited States will go to war Iraq, possibly prompting e passengers to stay home. the question is whether the g of well-publicized gas- estinal virus outbreaks will future bookings.

he industry is also waiting to whether shareholders will ove a planned merger een No. 1 Carnival Corp. and P&O Princess Cruises PLC.

he first signs of how the stry will fare overall in 2003, whether it has been affected he onboard ailments, will in the upcoming "wave sea- the period between Jan. 1 March when, traditionally, cruise-goers book summer es.

"The question is whether passengers' perception of the cruise sector changes in a long-term sense once news coverage (of the outbreaks) has faded," said Robin Farley, an analyst with UBS Warburg.

Some passengers, including several boarding Holland America's Amsterdam on its first sailing following a nine-day cleaning, expressed concerns, but opted to continue with their vacation plans.

John Ohlmann, of Melbourne, was one of several dozen who became ill last month on a Caribbean cruise aboard Disney's Magic. He said the incident has not soured him on taking another cruise vacation.

"This did not deter me at all" he said.

Meanwhile, the industry is still recovering from the dropoff in revenue after the Sept. 11 attacks and waiting to see if world events will affect their business again. Two companies — American Classic Voyages and Renaissance Cruises — were forced into bankruptcy, while the rest struggled to fill their cabins..

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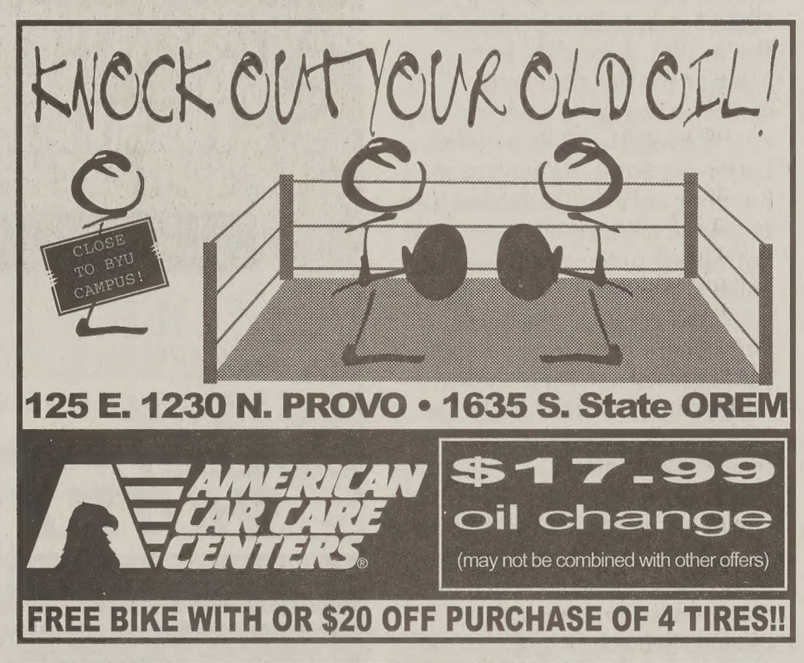

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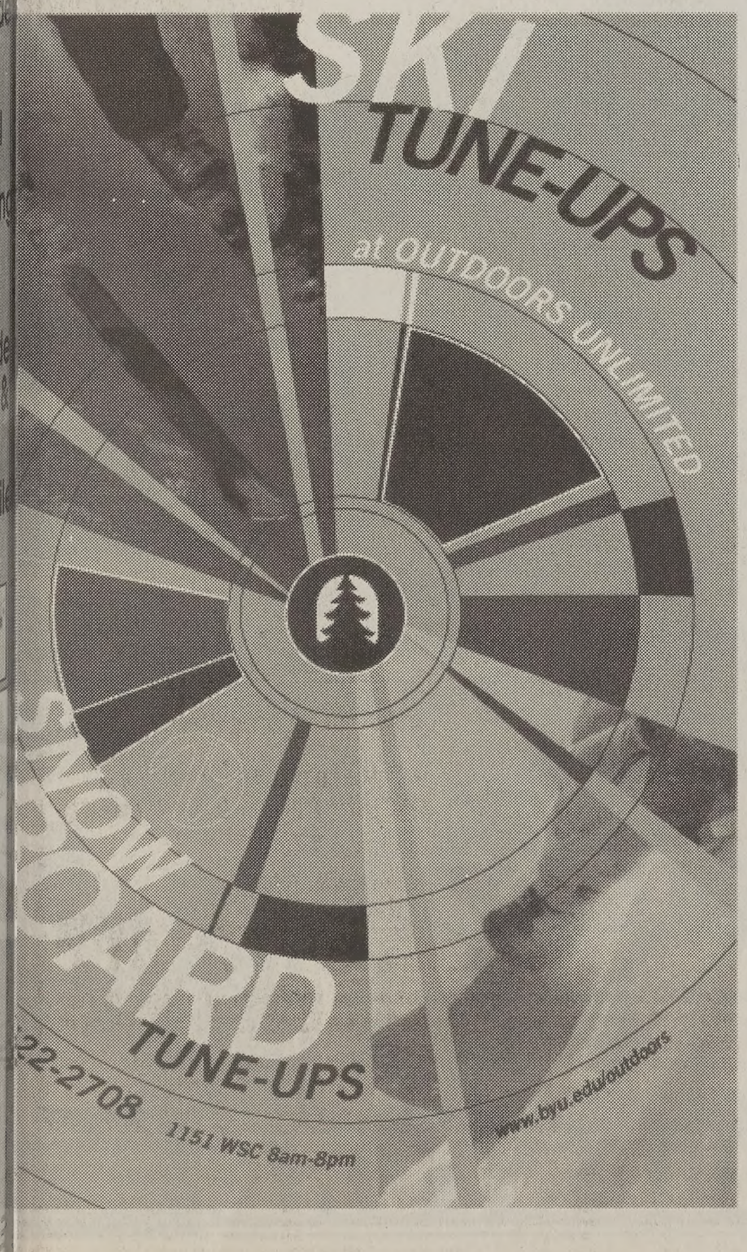

Unusual Utah locations perfect for outings

Salt Lake County sites great for adventure

By HEATHER WINN

Utah is home to world-famous outdoor adventures such as Canyonlands, Arches National and Zion National Parks, Moab, and a plenitude of skiing areas.

However, some of the most interesting places in Utah are also the least visited.

Utah is full of fascinating, obscure places to visit — if one is willing to look for them.

A "knee-deep walking adventure" — the Spiral Jetty, is tucked below a twisting, pock-marked road along the northern shore of the Great Salt Lake, with only the shell of a dilapidated pink trailer marking the direction to turn. It is literally in the middle of nowhere. To get to the actual jetty, seekers must hike down a slight rock-scattered slope and progress through the salt-crystal-covered shores until they reach the base of the jetty.

Robert Smithson, a renowned artist and writer, built the Spiral Jetty in 1970, achieving one of his goals: creating art that is actually a part of the land. Smithson used black basalt rocks and matter from the area, creating a twisting coil 1,500 feet long and 15 feet wide.

Although reaching the Spiral Jetty is anything but effortless, it seems to be worth it.

"I think it is beautiful and amazing," says Elise Archibald, a graduate student in art history from Berkeley, Calif.

And indeed it does look interesting — and unique. Near the base of the spiral, the pink, translucent water laps over the jagged salt formations. Farther out, the water rises to knee-level and the slightly submerged salt formation curls in to a spiral.

Another Berkeley graduate student, Huey Copeland came to the Spiral Jetty two years earlier, but it was submerged under 6 feet of water at the time. He says it is incredible to be able to finally see the formation in its "ghostly pink-white, ultra-feminine, Barbie form." His camera dangles around his neck as he precariously picks his way along the rugged salt path, talking animatedly at the same time.

The number of people there, probably eight or so, is surprising. Most of them are from the Berkeley group, but one man is obviously not. The mid-40-year-old whore khaki-colored hip-waders and pushed through the water steadily, like a hunter in pursuit of his prey. Alex Mazurkewycz, who has lived in Salt Lake City for at least three decades, says this is the first time in the last 20 years that the jetty has been uncovered.

"It's pretty cool. It took a heck of a long time to get here though — I finally got to use my hip-waders," Mazurkewycz said.

Nestled in the heart of Salt Lake City, a garden sits tucked in a neighborhood near Trolley Square. Two small girls sit in a carved stone bowl near the entrance. The sunlight splashes on their faces in mottled splotches through the tree leaves. Their laughter tingles as they hold a branch above their kitty's head and taunt it with leaves.

Destiny, 9, and Amanda, 6, come to the garden to play on the statues nearly every day.

"I like it — I like climbing on it. My cat loves it!" Destiny says as she curls her sticky donut-covered lips into a bright smile.

The gardeners are there, and they don't look pleased with the little girls' presence. The children are soon shooed out of the garden by the elderly volunteers. As the tool-bearing workers meander out of the garden, it is silent except for the occasional chirp of a bird. The atmosphere is reverent — probably much like the designer meant it to be.

Much like Robert Smithson, Thomas Child created an edifice to communicate his ideology. Child began building Gilgal Garden in 1945, during the later years of his life. Child was skilled in the art of rock masonry and lived his life as a devout Latter-day Saint. He continued his work until death claimed him in 1963. A half-carved globe is left unfinished in the garden — a signal of his death.

"Can I create a sanctuary or atmosphere in my yard that will shut out fear and keep one's mind young and alert to the last, no matter how perilous the times?" Child asked.

But the garden is by no means a conventional LDS representation — many could even view it as blasphemous if they didn't understand the artist's intent. The first thing a visitor sees is a massive Sphinx body with a sculpture of Joseph Smith's head mounted on it. Scriptures and thoughts engraved in the stone lace the atmosphere with a solemn feeling. Some of the sculptures seem peculiar, but the descriptions in the brochure breathe life in to the carvings.

Some other sculptures in the garden include the monument to the priesthood, the altar and Elijah's Cave. Until several years ago, Gilgal Garden has been untended. The Friends of Gilgal Garden, a nonprofit volunteer organization, raised enough money to maintain the garden.

Robert Bliss, a retired architect with the Friends of Gilgal Garden, says he thinks it is important to maintain the art for the community to enjoy.

"It is a very unique and idiosyncratic garden — it is one of not many in this country and it is an expression of Mr. Child's feeling about his religion and his profession," Bliss says.

In earlier days, the garden was overgrown and unkempt. Dustin Jones, a Salt Lake City resident, recognizes the transformation of the garden.

"When my friends and I came here in high school, it wasn't as well cared for. It was kind of a popular place to go because it was thought to be freaky," Jones says.

But now the garden is well visited with about 50 to 100 people coming a week, Bliss says.

Located in between the Spiral Jetty and Gilgal Garden in the middle of the Great Salt Lake a large brown lump looms that can be seen from the freeway — Antelope Island. Many people do not know there is actually a type of civilization on the

Antelope Island offers ing, sailing, swimming, pi ing, hiking and mountain The island is also home to ety of animals during spec seasons of the year.

Crossing the jetty, the c smells of the dry, cracked lands along the shore. Wit minutes the air is fresh an water surrounding both si the causeway. Ducks and bob up and down in the wa searching for food.

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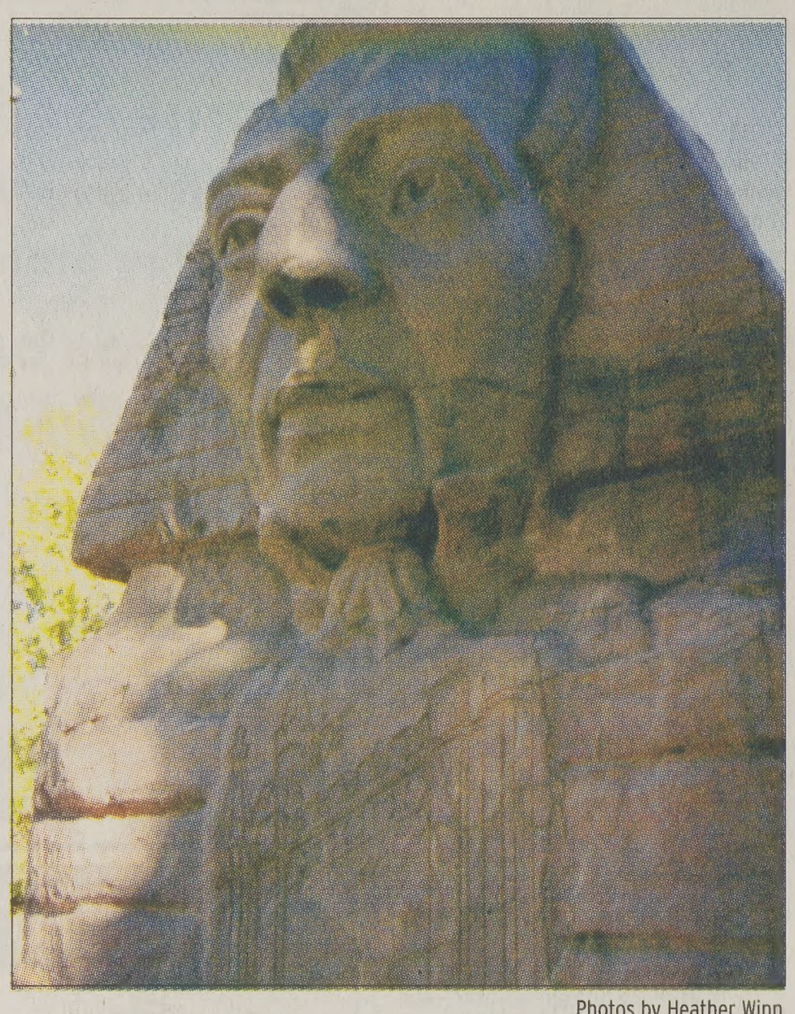

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The Spiral Jetty, at right, and the Joseph Smith-sphinx statue at Gilgal Garden are both interesting places to visit in Salt Lake County.

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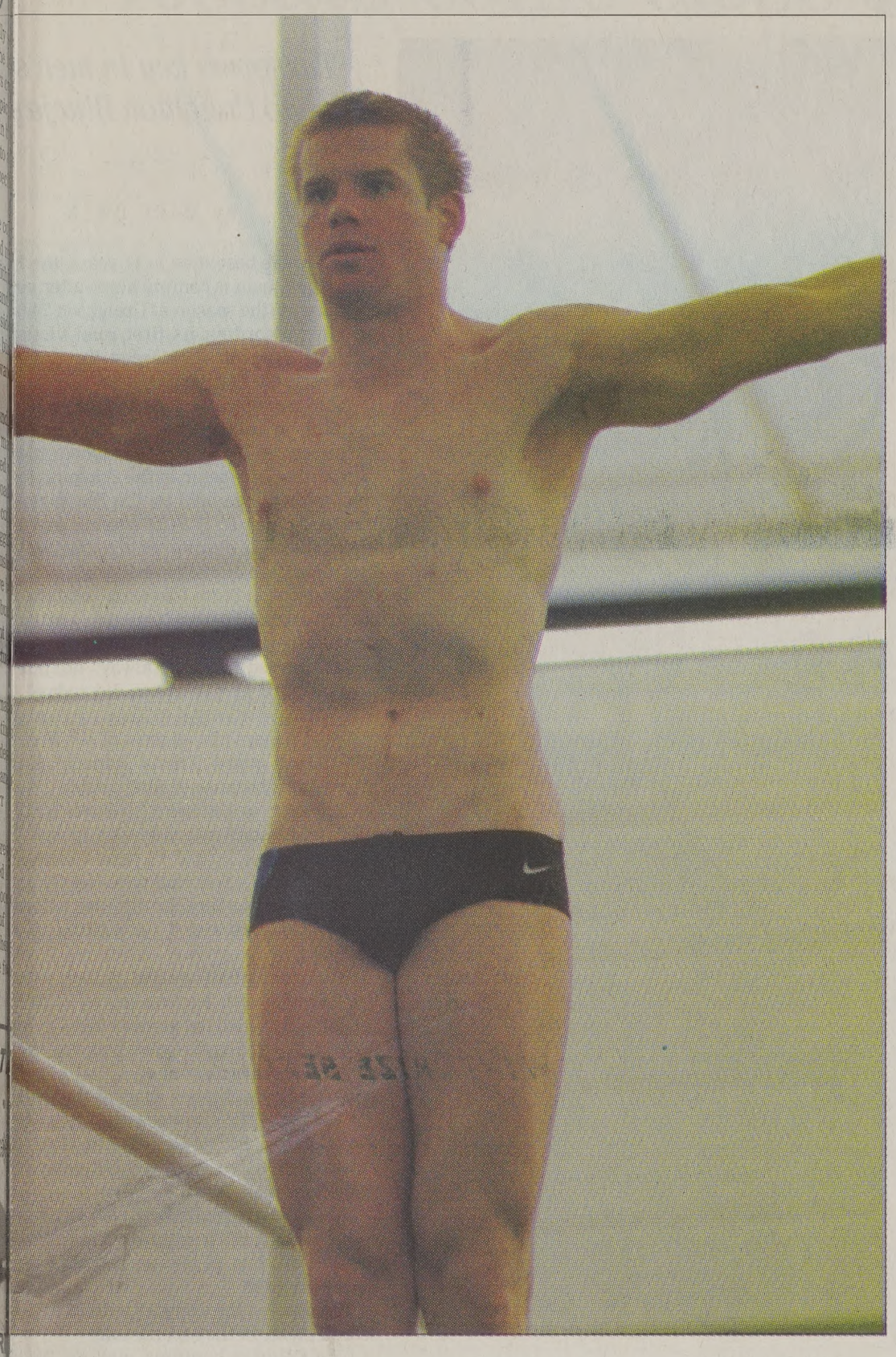

Photo by Jack R. Peterson

ron Russell prepares for his dive during the BYU Invitational, Friday and Saturday. While the diving mpeted in Provo, the swim teams competed at the Speedo Cup in Long Beach, Calif.

By AMYANN RUPP

While the swim teams swam in sunny southern California all weekend at the Bellmont Plaza in Long Beach, the men divers hosted the BYU Invitational.

Both invitationals gave coaches a chance to see what their athletes could do in a qualifying format meet — where they swam in the morning to qualify for the night competition.

"It is always a good competitive meet wherever you go because you we are all pretty competitive," BYU diver Scott Randall said.

The swimmers faced competition from 17 other teams. BYU faced off primarily with University of Pacific and California State University – Bakersfield who are the defending Division two national champions.

"Both of those teams fully rested and took it really serious," swim team captain Billy Betz said. "We have been resting a little for about a week and a half so we feel fine."

The men's swimming and diving team dominated the water as they took first place in the BYU Diving Invitational and the Speedo Cup Invitational.

The team took first place with 1,205 points accumulated over the three-day meet. Following BYU was UOP and CSU Bakersfield.

"There were just a lot of really good swims," Betz said. "We didn't meet all of our expectations. A lot of people wanted to swim better, but we did what we could and were ready for at this time in the season."

Coach Tim Powers said he was interested in how the freshman men would fare in their first real encounter with competition this season.

"The freshmen really stepped it up," Betz said. "They really had some stiff competition and really came out from behind and took it out. Zach (Anderson) and Travis (Price) had some amazing swims."

"Everyone did really well," Betz said. "Everyone came out with one or two really good swims."

Top finishers for the Cougars were freshman Travis Price who took fifth place in both the 1650 freestyle (16:01.29) and 500 freestyle (4.32.90), Chris Johnson who took second in both the 100 (49.99) and 200 back (1.48.85), Adam Ware who won fifth in the 100 breast (57.70) and 200 breast (2.05.44), and Diogo Yabe the first place winner of the 100 fly (48.31), second finisher in the 200 fly (1.49.16) and 200 IM (1.50.58).

"We just have so much depth it is amazing," Betz said.

Continuing the list of top swimmers is freshman Zach Anderson who placed sixth in the 200 fly (1.53.04) and 11th in the 500 free (4.36.01), Randy Belliston with a sixth place in the 200 IM (1.52.17) and a third place finish in the 400 IM (4.01.93).

"I would imagine that John Malfatt, Jeff Mason and I had our season best times," Betz said.

John Malfatt scored fifth in the 100 and 200 backstrokes and fourth in the 200 IM. Additionally Jeff Mason received a third place in the 100 free (45.35), second on the 50 free (20.55) and 200 freestyle (1.39.94). Betz was first in the 100 free (45.17) and fourth in the 50 free (20.73).

"It is traditionally a really fast pool," Betz said. "You get there and so many fast times have been swum that you feel like you are going to a championship meet."

BYU's nationally ranked relay teams kept their speed this weekend. However, every relay was a battle of mere strokes that separated the teams.

BYU placed second in the 800 free relay, 200-medley relay and 400-medley relay. They placed first in the 200 free relay and 400 free relay.

"The 400 free relay was definitely most exciting," Betz said. "We were behind all the way and then we won it. We really wanted to beat Pacific."

The diving team also dominated the field.

"There were some good things done this weekend," diving coach Keith Russell said. "There were certainly some divers who did not perform as they could. Overall I am very pleased with how the men performed."

Senior diver Aaron Russell won both the 1 and 3-meter events placing him first in the Invitational. Junior Justin Beardall took second in the 1M and fourth in the 3m and sophomore Scott Randall took third in both the 1M and 3m, placing him second in the overall competition.

"This competition will help us so that when we are in competition with a lot of divers we will be ready for them," Beardall said.

"The swimmers and divers hope to work on improving their national rank," Beardall said. "Diving is an event in swimming that together we work with the swimmers to make it the best turnout possible, hopefully that is nationals this year."

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Fall from perfection

Oregon Ducks' inside game too powerful for BYU women in 80-77 loss

By LEIGH DETHMAN

PORTLAND, Ore. — The women's basketball team's perfect season is over.

It has been a long, tough road for BYU. In the team's third game in only five days, the road-weary Cougars suffered their first defeat of the year to the University of Oregon, 80-77.

"This week we play an NBA schedule," coach Jeff Judkins said. "It's tough, and we just got tired in the end."

Senior guard Erin Thorn's late game heroics were not enough to keep the Cougars' perfect record intact. Thorn dished two beautiful assists and hit two key free throws, but couldn't hit the shots when her team needed it.

The Ducks dominated the inside, outscoring the Cougars 24-6 in the paint.

"They really pounded it inside and just asked us to stop them," Judkins said. "They [Oregon] decided that 'our big players are better than yours' and 'you can't stop us,' and that is exactly what happened, so I give them a lot of credit."

BYU could not find an answer to the Ducks' posts. Junior forward Cathrine Kraayeveld had a double-double, scoring a career-high 26 points and pulling down 12 rebounds for the Ducks. Freshman center Carolyn Ganes also scored a career-high 25 points.

"We were getting open looks inside," said Kourtney Shreve, a senior guard for the Ducks. "That is where we needed to keep going with the ball."

Judkins said he thought his team was ready to matchup against Oregon's post players.

"I thought our bigs could guard their bigs," Judkins said. "Obviously we couldn't do it."

The Ducks were without starting point guard, senior Shaquala Williams. Oregon coach Bev Smith suspended the All-American indefinitely for undisclosed disciplinary reasons.

"Having Williams gone might have been a good thing," Judkins said. "Someone else had to step up tonight, and their posts did."

Oregon jumped out to a 17-10 lead with 12:53 to go in the first half, but the Cougars rallied back. Senior guard Erin Thorn's long three tied the score at 25 at the 7:47 minute mark.

The Ducks answered with an easy layup by Kraayeveld to take a two-point lead. Sophomore guard Kali Taylor's three-point basket with 6:20 on the clock gave BYU its first lead of the game.

With one second on the clock, freshman guard Nancy Seljaas hit two free throws to give the Cougars a 38-32 lead going into the locker room.

The Cougars lost starting point guard Julie Sullivan to injury early in the first half. Sullivan suffered a deep left thigh contusion about eight minutes into the game and didn't return to the court.

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> **Jeff Judkins**

Junior transfer Kestlee Nelson stepped in for Sullivan, playing a BYU career-high 32 minutes.

"Nobody can fill Julie's shoes, it is too hard," Nelson said. "But there is no other point guard, so I just had to come in and do it."

Thorn was hot in the opening minutes of the second half. Her three treys pushed the Cougars to a 12-point lead with 13:37 left in the game. The Ducks, powered by a raucous crowd, sprinted on a 13-4 run to reclaim the lead with 3:28 left on the clock.

Sophomore forward Danielle Cheesman hit a trey to give the Cougars a 77-76 lead with just under two minutes left in the game. The bucket ended up being the last for BYU. Oregon held BYU scoreless the rest of the game.

Thorn's last second desperation shot rolled off the rim, ending BYU's perfect start.

"I think we all came together and got on a roll," Ganes said. "After a while you stop looking at the score. Then, before you know it, we were right back in it."

Judkins took some of the blame for the loss.

"I think once we got up by 12 we relaxed a little. I took Thorn out, and maybe left Kestlee in a little too long. I could have put Erin in at the point," Judkins said. "I should have called a timeout after they took the lead with a little over a minute in the game, but I was afraid Bev would plan a great way to stop us."

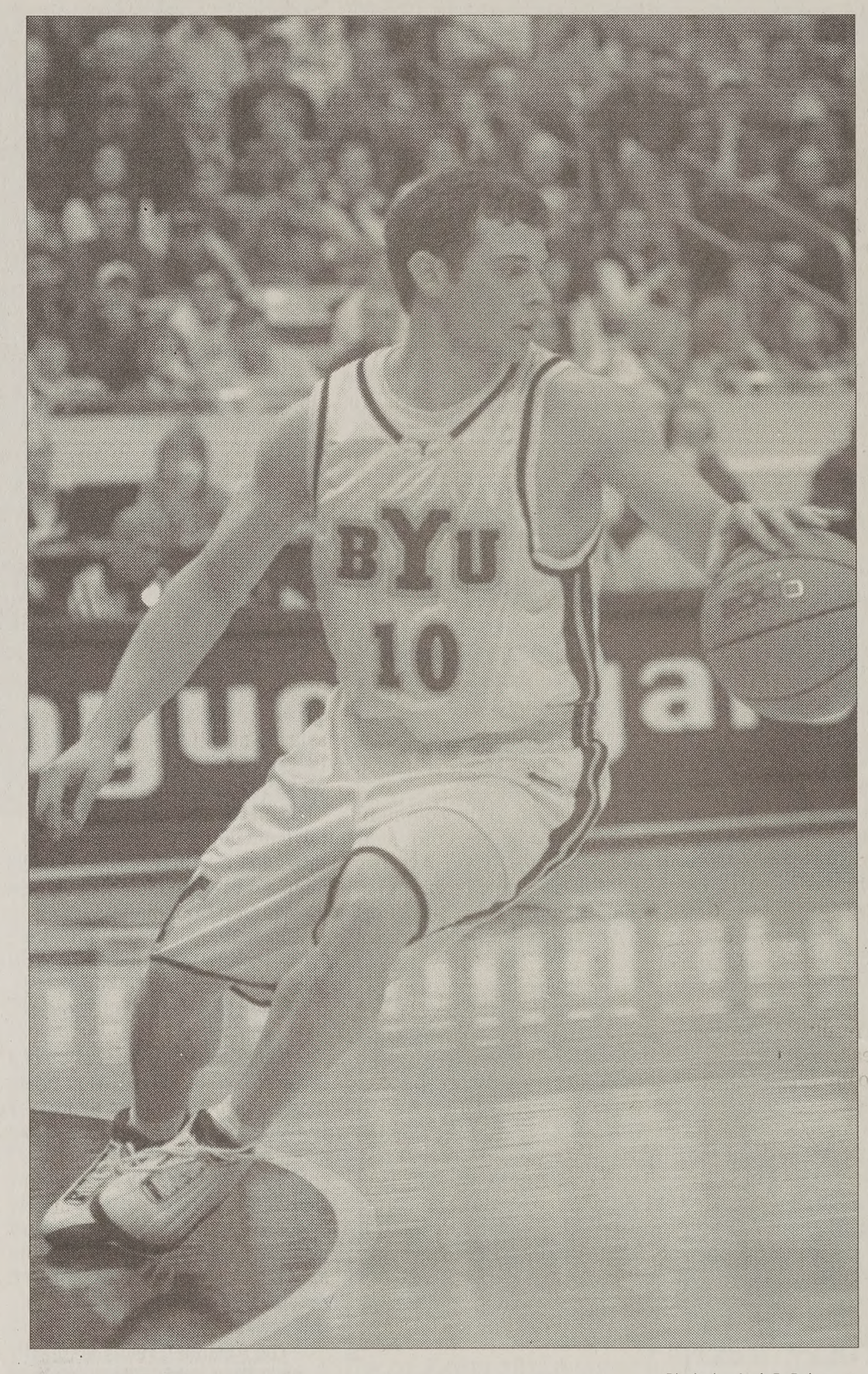
Although the game was on a neutral court, the majority of the Rose Garden crowd was cheering for Oregon.

"It is hard to win on the road," Judkins said. "I think the crowd really helped them come back."

Thorn, battling a nasty cold, scored 20 points and had seven rebounds. Cheesman had a double-double, with a season high 16 points and 10 rebounds. Taylor scored a season high 10 points.

Forward Jennifer Leitner, also suffering from a cold, had eight points and seven rebounds.

"I think this has been a good road trip for us," Taylor said. "We just need to learn from this game and we have to come out next week and play much better."



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Sophomore guard Terry Nashif keeps a watchful eye for defenders against Rice. The Cougars lost their first game of the season to the Creighton Bluejays on Saturday. With a 5-1 record, BYU returns home to face the University of San Diego on Wednesday night in the Marriott Center.

Turnovers key in men's [illegible] to Creighton Bluejay[illegible]

By MARC OWEN

Off to the best start in 11 years, the BY[illegible] basketball team is coming home after suff[illegible] first loss of the season at Creighton 74-64.

After recording its first road victory [illegible] Arizona State on Wednesday, the Couga[illegible] the Creighton Bluejays.

The loss was in large part because of th[illegible] inability to control the ball and break t[illegible] effectively. BYU turned the ball over 23 ti[illegible]

Another big factor in the Cougars' loss[illegible] rebounding edge held by the Bluejays. C[illegible] out rebounded BYU 36-34 overall, and 14 [illegible] offensive end, despite being smaller a[illegible] every position on the court.

Head coach Steve Cleveland said the ef[illegible] the Cougars gave wasn't enough against t[illegible] getic Bluejays.

"We played hard, we always do, but w[illegible] play as hard as Creighton did today," C[illegible] said.

The Cougars played most of the first h[illegible] out senior guard Travis Hansen. Han[illegible] forced to sit because of foul trouble.

However, in Hansen's absence, BYU g[illegible] lift from junior forward Mark Bigelow. Th[illegible] 7 sharpshooter scored 17 points in the fi[illegible] including 9 in a row that gave the Cougar[illegible] lead with just under four minutes before h[illegible]

The Cougars ended up trailing 36-32 [illegible] time.

The second half started to look promi[illegible] the Cougars with leading scorer Hansen [illegible] the floor. BYU tied the game before Creigh[illegible] on a 17-2 run. The Cougars had dug them[illegible] hole too big to crawl out of.

BYU slowly chipped away at the lead, c[illegible] to 65-58 with four minutes remaining on a [illegible] junior guard Ricky Bower. But BYU wa[illegible] able to seriously threaten the Bluejays th[illegible] the way.

The Cougars had a better shooting per[illegible] from the field, the free-throw line and from [illegible] the arc, but had 14 fewer attempts from t[illegible] than Creighton.

Bigelow led the Cougars with 23 points. [illegible] scored 11, all in the second half.

The Cougars continue play on Wedne[illegible] the Marriott Center, where they face the U[illegible] ty of San Diego.

BYU can now look forward to staying h[illegible] the holidays. Five of the next six games ar[illegible] vo.

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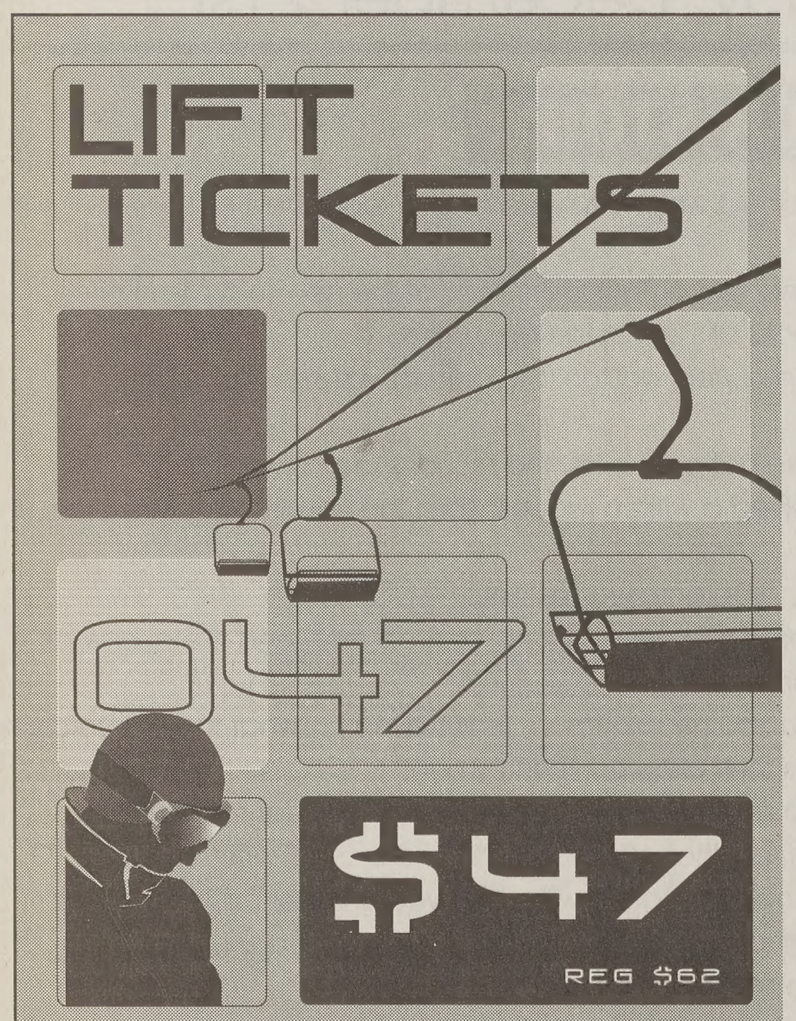
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Icecats come close against rivals

By JEREMY TWITCHELL

wo games, two points, and one short overtime. That l that stood between the Provo IceCats and what d have been the biggest weekend in team history.

he IceCats suffered a pair of one-point losses this kend against in-state rivals Utah and Utah State, ing for a rough ending to the first half of the season. don't think it's a great way to end the first half of season," assistant coach Patrick Perrett said. "You r like to end it with two losses, but I think the way we doesn't do these guys a disservice."

n Friday, Utah controlled the game in the first peri- but a goal by freshman wing Jason Griffiths kept the ats in the game, at 2-1.

nother goal early in the second period gave Utah a 3- d, but in the last two minutes of the period the Ice- took over.

power play goal by sophomore center Derek Battisti d Provo to within one, and freshman wing Mark cher rebounded a blocked shot and put it back in the ust forty seconds later to tie the game.

Vith 18 seconds left in the period, the IceCats had a nce to go ahead on a power play, but a defensive break- n allowed Utah to score its second short-handed goal he night and retake the lead.

he IceCats proved that they were not done yet, how- when senior center Greg Ingram hit sophomore g Jim Burkart on a crossing pass in front of Utah's , which Burkart put into the net as time expired.

The last five minutes of the second period was some he best hockey I've seen this team play," coach Ray hier said. "Those five minutes were tremendous."

he teams returned for a new game in the third peri- ut tough defenses on both sides kept either team scoring and escalated tempers.

fight midway through the period after a Utah player into Provo goalie Tamio Stehrenberger resulted in e penalties, two of them on Utah.

he IceCats were unable to capitalize on the resulting er play and it looked like the teams were heading for time, but a goal for Utah with just under two minutes nade the difference as Utah pulled ahead 5-4.

It was an exciting game. It's the kind you want to be ut it's also the toughest to lose," Bernier said. "This of a game sinks deep."

Bernier said he felt his team played well, but made a costly mistake or two. What really cost us the game was fine-tuning," he said.

Bernier said he felt his team will get its first win in e years against Utah this season.

Photo by Morgan Van Wagoner

An IceCats player looks to take the puck down the ice against the University of Utah on Nov. 25. The IceCats closed out the first half of their season with back-to-back losses.

"When it comes down to the bottom line, we want to beat them, and we're going to get to the point where we will beat them," he said. "We have two more games against them this season, and I expect to win them both."

On Saturday, the team hoped to bounce back against Utah State and avenge their biggest loss of the season, a 9-1 preseason blowout in Logan. But a late Provo rally wasn't enough and the team lost 6-5 in overtime.

In the first half of the game, it looked like the IceCats would duplicate that earlier performance. Utah State outskated, out-hit, and basically dominated Provo to take a 5-1 lead midway through the second period.

"They play a different style of hockey," assistant coach Ed Gantt said of Utah State. "They're a much more physical team. They're a little faster and they try to skate through you instead of going around. They don't rely as much on the passing game."

Much like the night before, the IceCats seized control in the second period and nearly came out on top.

With six minutes left in the period, graduate defenseman Matt Hunsaker scored his second goal of the night, which ignited a four-goal run for Provo.

Both teams had 12 shots in the third period, but while Stehrenberger was perfect in the net for Provo, Battisti, Kincher, and sophomore defenseman Mark Ostebo each got one past the Aggie goalie to tie the game.

At the end of regulation, Utah State players lined up to congratulate their opponents, but the IceCats convinced them to play overtime. In college, teams can decide to play sudden-death overtime or end in a tie.

In overtime, the IceCats won the face-off and nearly scored twice, but Utah State stole the puck and scored the other way in a one-on-one breakaway. The goal put a quick end to overtime, just 30 seconds after it began.

"I was disappointed, but when they put it in, I just kind of laughed," Little said. "We asked for overtime, and it's a game to us."

"The guys are feeling it right now in the locker room, they felt it last night, they felt it last week, and they're sick of it," Perrett said. "The guys on this team have enough drive and desire that these games will turn around for us eventually."

S.F. 49ers clinch NFC West

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Terrell Owens made a juggling catch of a 3-yard touchdown pass early in the fourth quarter, then caught an 8-yarder with 12 seconds left, as the 49ers clinched their first NFC West title since 1997.

Although Owens' first TD catch put the 49ers (9-4) ahead, they fell behind by 10 before Jeff Garcia brought them back.

Garcia started the rally with a four-play drive that he capped with a 23-yard strike to Tai Streets with 5:26 left. After Dallas (5-8) missed a 47-yard field goal, Garcia took over at the 37 with no timeouts and 2:16 to go.

A 3-yard keeper on third-and-2 helped keep the drive going, then he had an 11-yard pass to Owens on third-and-10 from the 19. The next play was the game-winner to Owens.

Running back Garrison Hearst didn't play in the second half because of a hyperextended left knee, but he should return next week.

49ers coach Steve Mariucci said the injury wasn't serious, and that he expected Hearst to be ready to play next Sunday against Green Bay.

Hearst hurt his knee midway through the second quarter at the end of a 15-yard run on fourth-and-1. Garcia scrambled 21 yards for a touchdown on the next play.

Trainers rewrapped Hearst's knee on the sideline, but he didn't return to the game.

BCS bowl teams announced

Associated Press

lo surprise in the Fiesta l: It's No. 1 Miami vs. No. 2 o State in the BCS title game, tching major college football's undefeated teams.

he final Bowl Championship es standings released Sun- were just a formality in rmining the title game since Hurricanes (12-0) and Buck- (13-0) had already accepted to the Jan. 3 Fiesta Bowl.

While the top teams in the ntry awaited their bowl fates, op three teams in the Moun- West Conference knew re they were heading.

Conference champs Colorado e faces C-USA champ TCU in Liberty Bowl on Dec. 31. Sec- place New Mexico faces the A Bruins in the Las Vegas l on Christmas Day, and Air ce plays Virginia Tech in the ugural San Francisco Bowl, 31.

The three other BCS games t on a surprising look when Orange Bowl pulled off a with a Rose Bowl-like chup of No. 3 Iowa vs. No. 5 thern California on Jan. 2.

Washington State, the Pac-10 mpion, will play Big 12 cham- Oklahoma in the Rose Bowl Jan. 1. The Sugar Bowl will ch SEC champion Georgia nst ACC champion Florida e, a game featuring Bulldogs h Mark Richt against his for- boss, Bobby Bowden.

Now that BCS bowl mystery been cleared up, Notre Dame 2) ends up as the biggest loser. Iowa and USC chosen as the rge teams, the Irish will play he Gator Bowl against North Carolina State.

Each BCS game team receives about $13 million, which is split among conference members. Notre Dame, as an independent, would have kept all the money. The Gator Bowl payout is $1.6 million per team.

A Miami-Ohio State matchup has been anticipated for weeks. The Buckeyes completed their season with a victory over Michigan on Nov. 23. The Hurricanes closed out their second straight perfect regular season with a wild 56-45 win over Virginia Tech on Saturday.

Miami will try to become just the second team to repeat as national champions since 1980, and first since Nebraska in 1994-95. Ohio State, led by running back Maurice Clarett and a solid defense, goes after its first national crown since 1968.

"They do have a great defense, and I'm just looking at the stats," Miami coach Larry Coker said.

While each of the BCS games has regional tie-ins, the selection rules allowed the Orange Bowl to end up without one of six conference champions.

The Hawkeyes (11-1) and Trojans (10-2) feature two of the top quarterbacks in the nation. Brad Banks led Iowa to the co-Big Ten title, while Carson Palmer directed USC to a co-Pac-10 title with Washington State.

Georgia (12-1), which won its first SEC title in 20 years with a 30-3 victory over Arkansas on Saturday, was third. USC finished with 10.51 points, and Iowa had 10.79 points.

By finishing fourth in the BCS standings, USC was guaranteed a BCS game, while Iowa was the only one-loss team available since Georgia was tied to the Sugar Bowl.

The Orange Bowl landed Iowa-USC thanks to a BCS rule concerning payouts. Since the Orange has a higher payout than the Sugar, it got to pick USC.

"Traditionally, we want to go to the Rose bowl," Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. "But with the BCS, the traditions have been broken."

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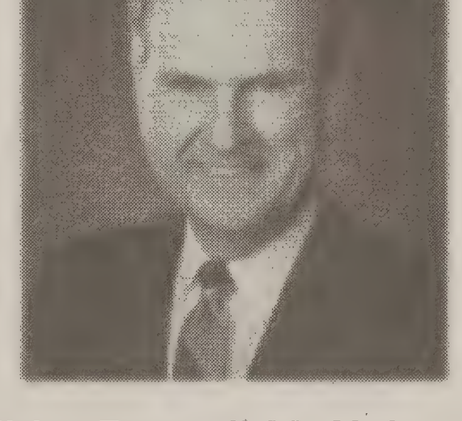

Elder Russell M. Nelson

Member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

Elder Russell M. Nelson was called as a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles in April 1984.

An internationally renowned surgeon and medical researcher, Dr. Nelson earned BA and MD degrees from the University of Utah. His professional work has included positions of research professor of surgery and director of thoracic surgery residency at the University of Utah and chairman of the Division of Thoracic Surgery at LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Author of numerous publications and chapters in medical textbooks, Elder Nelson has received a host of awards and honors including three honorary doctorates, the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Utah, a citation for international service from the American Heart Association, and the Golden Plate Award presented by the American Academy of Achievement. He has been awarded honorary professorships from three universities in the People's Republic of China.

Elder Nelson has held numerous positions of responsibility in the Church, serving as stake president of the Bonneville Stake and as general president of the Sunday School. Prior to his call to the Quorum of the Twelve he had served as a regional representative.

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3 BLOCKS FROM THE Y
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$190/MO. 1 vacancy. 706 N 900 E. Near BYU. W/D, dp freeze. 373-2777, 360-0534

$200 SHRD rm in house. f/p, jet tub, Lots of extras. $250 dep. 358-8883

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OREM- 2 BD TWNHOUSE d/w hkups, cooler. $585. Property Assoc. 758-2580.

ONE BDRM Bsmt Apt for Rent $510/mo incl. all utils. W/D, Satellite Avail. end of Dec. Call 356-3339

LG 2 BED $550/mo +util. Will pay half of Dec. Call 755-8636.

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Unfurnished Apts.For Rent

1 BDRM apt. for rent. Newly remodeled. Util. & laundry incld. $475/mo. 491-7330

Furnished Apts. For Rent

ONE BLK east BYU. Home, 2 bd, W/D, FR, 4 girls, $250/mo. Util. paid, except phone. 373-5203

House For Rent

IND HILLS 7bd 3ba 4800 sq ft. $1350/mo 373-8123 or 607-1680 Families only

2 BD Older home in Lehi w/garden spot. No pets. Across from a park. 768-4141

4 BDRM house- newly remodeled/painted, fenced yrd. New crpt. Hrdwood & tile floors, high ceiling, cntrl vac. $900/mo. 491-7330

House For Sale

PROVO 6BD, 3bth 2600 sq.ft. New kitchn, Corian cntrs. $185K Sue 636-2552 PruRE

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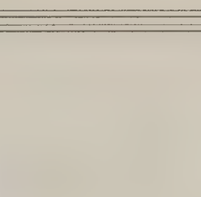

VEHICLES

Used Cars

93 CHEV Suburban. Clean, 8 pass. red/black. Rear air/heat, tow pkg, pwr. everything.125Kmi. $7.5K. 768-

'88 HONDA Accord LXI. 165k mi, tires, CD player, $2000 obo, 380-

98 HONDA Civic Great Condition, sell to pay for school : (Zero prob $6950. Chad 812-5806

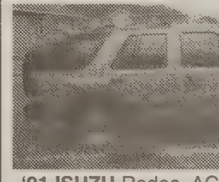
1998 DODGE NEON 63,000 PERFECT CONDITION. 30 MPG! ASKING $7500.00 JAMES 371-65

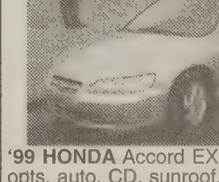
'98 WINDSTAR GL. 127k mi, but parts. Rfrk, tint, exc. cond. $7500 798-8535 or 422-7539

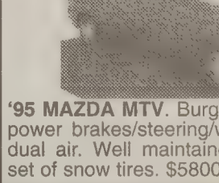
BEAUTIFUL'96 Toyota Camry. green, grey interior, AC, Excellent c 132k. $7500/obo. Must Sell! 375-8

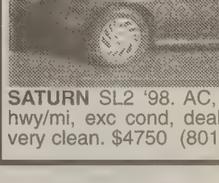
1996 JETTA GL - Suede silver. G condition. $7500 OBO. Call: 491-72

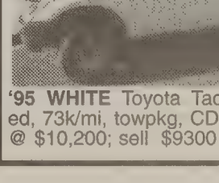
RED '99 Pontiac Sunfire. Up to 40 must sell, 4-dr. Extra set- snowtire $6200 obo 375-3647


'91 ISUZU Rodeo, AC, 4x4, V6, N clutch/tires, 140k/mi, alloys, Great C dition. $3200 obo 766-0251


'99 HONDA Accord EX. Loaded w/ opts, auto, CD, sunroof, 54k mi. $11 Call Craig 375-9111 or 787-9110


'95 MAZDA MTV. Burgundy, 85k mi power brakes/steering/windows, cru dual air. Well maintained. Comes set of snow tires. $5800. Call 374-3


SATURN SL2 '98. AC, CC, 5-spd, hwy/mi, exc cond, dealership servic very clean. $4750 (801)687-1223


'95 WHITE Toyota Tacoma 4x4, l ed, 73k/mi, towpkg, CD, prem. snd, @ $10,200; sell $9300 obo. 356-09

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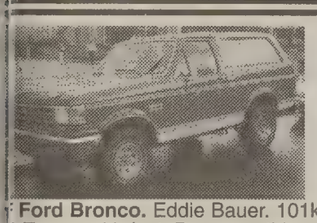
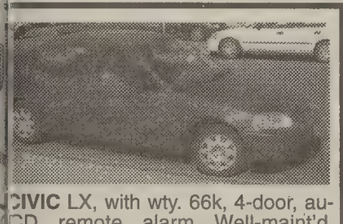
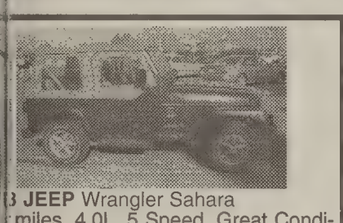


Ford Bronco. Eddie Bauer. 101k Exc cond in/out. Pwr everything. 4 AC. $4700. Call Rob 374-4762

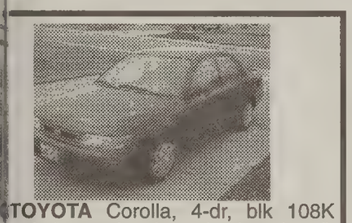


CIVIC LX, with wty. 66k, 4-door, au- CD, remote, alarm. Well-maint'd. t cond. Includes 100k zero-deduct. n/elec wty. $8995 obo 787-1237



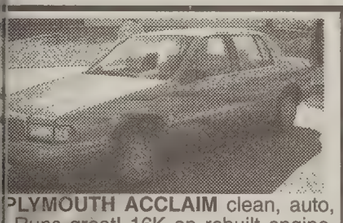
JEEP Wrangler Sahara miles, 4.0L, 5 Speed, Great Condi- $12,500 obo Steve: 371-0408

W Jetta. 73k mi. AC, Seat heating, tric lock, alarm system, k2 seats, 0 obo 343-2593 Evenings



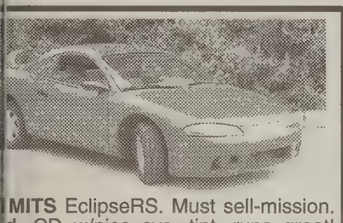
TOYOTA Corolla, 4-dr, blk 108K mi, 5-sp, a/c, abs, cd, p/w, p/s, p/l, ll. cond. $5550 obo 435-901-3878

JEEP Grand Cherokee 4x4 V8 Tow ckage, blue, new paint, CD, ABS, AC, pwr, $5500 obo. 796-3760

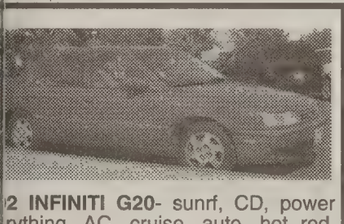


PLYMOUTH ACCLAIM clean, auto, Runs great! 16K on rebuilt engine, 99obo. Mission-must sell! 489-7229

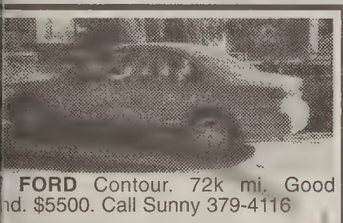
5 TOYOTA extended cab truck. 4- heel drive. Bad engine. $875 obo. Call Dan 380-0889.



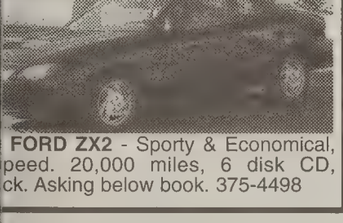
MITS EclipseRS. Must sell-mission. d, CD w/nice sys, tint, runs great! 00 $6900obo! 375-4455/373-6208



2 INFINITI G20- sunrf, CD, power rything, AC, cruise, auto, hot red. 50/obo. Call 644-1401.

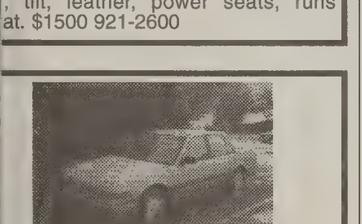


FORD Contour. 72k mi. Good d. $5500. Call Sunny 379-4116

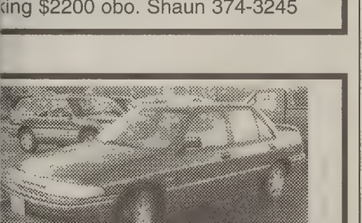


FORD ZX2 - Sporty & Economical, speed. 20,000 miles, 6 disk CD, ck. Asking below book. 375-4498

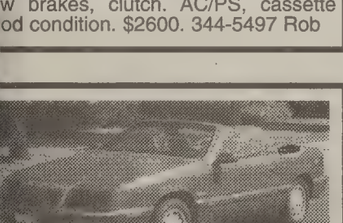
JEEP 4x4 104 k mi. New tires, AC, tilt, leather, power seats, runs at. $1500 921-2600



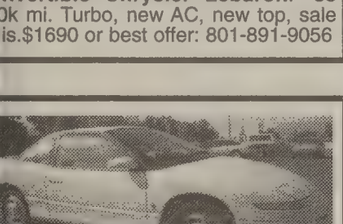
38 HONDA Accord LX. pw, pl, auto, Great shape, Bluebook $2400, ding $2200 obo. Shaun 374-3245



MERCURY TRACER, 50K miles w brakes, clutch. AC/PS, cassette od condition. $2600. 344-5497 Rob

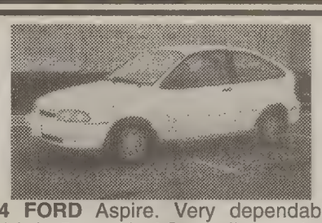


nvertible Chrysler Lebaron. '88 3k mi. Turbo, new AC, new top, sale is.$1690 or best offer: 801-891-9056



HAT A CAR! Immaculate- '93 Saturn SC upe, White. Grt cond, new tires. $3800/obo less than KBB 550-5115/812-5974

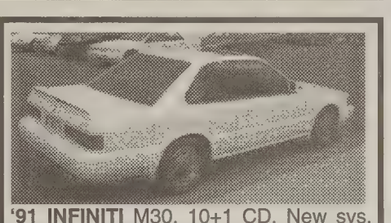
Used Cars



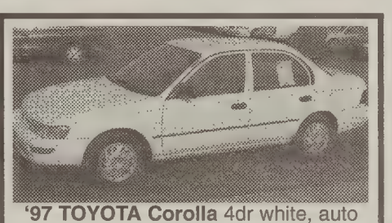
'94 FORD Aspire. Very dependable. 93k/mi, 5-speed, AC, am/fm stereo & cass. New tires. $1200 obo. 367-6429

RED '93 Ford Festiva. Mazda engine. AC, 76k mi. Clean, great Cond. am/fm. Perfect for students. $2000 472-4721

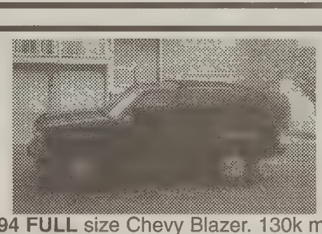
MUST SELL- moving. '91 VW Jetta. AC, great student car. Runs great. $1000 obo. 224-4147 leave message.



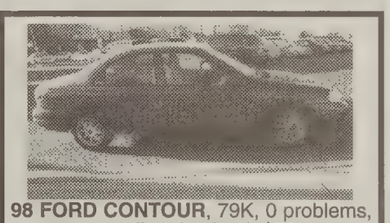
'91 INFINITI M30. 10+1 CD. New sys. Tint, leather, auto, A/C, V6, chrome, snrf, 124k. $4000 obo. John: 375-0783



'97 TOYOTA Corolla 4dr white, auto 66k, AC, reliable, clean, great cond. $6395 obo 374-7330 or 473-6340

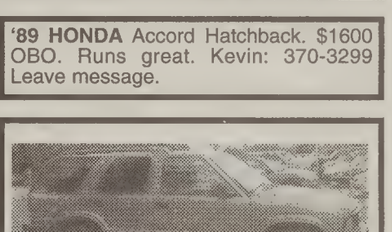


'94 FULL size Chevy Blazer. 130k mi, 4x4, V8 auto. trans., CD. AC, good in snow, $7500 Must sell 356-3604



98 FORD CONTOUR, 79K, 0 problems, auto, well maintained, $5500. 371-2688/ tkw9@email.byu.edu

'89 HONDA Accord Hatchback. $1600 OBO. Runs great. Kevin: 370-3299 Leave message.



'95 CHEV. BLAZER. All options. Well kept, well below blue book, Must sell. $6500/obo. Call 687-1435 or 491-2825.

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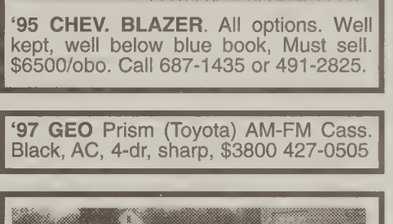

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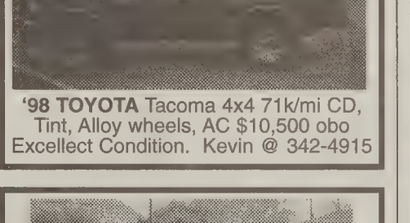

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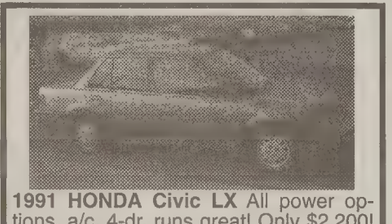

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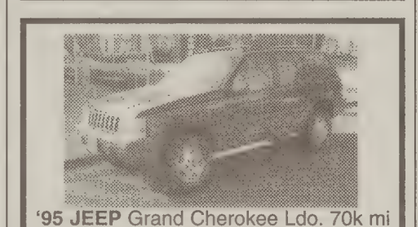

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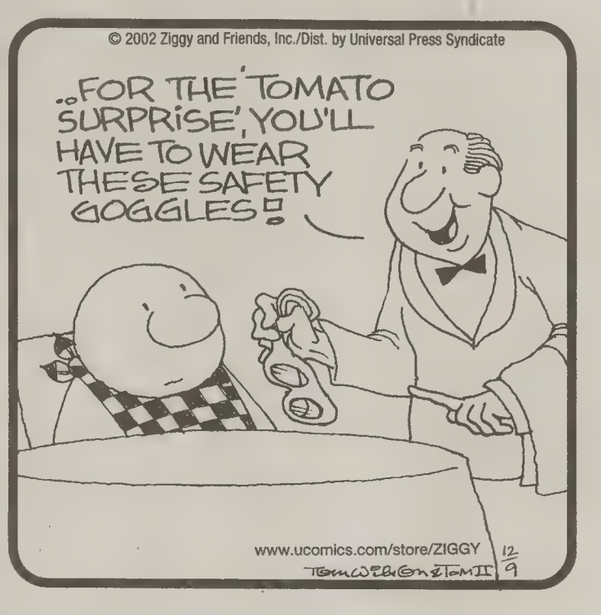
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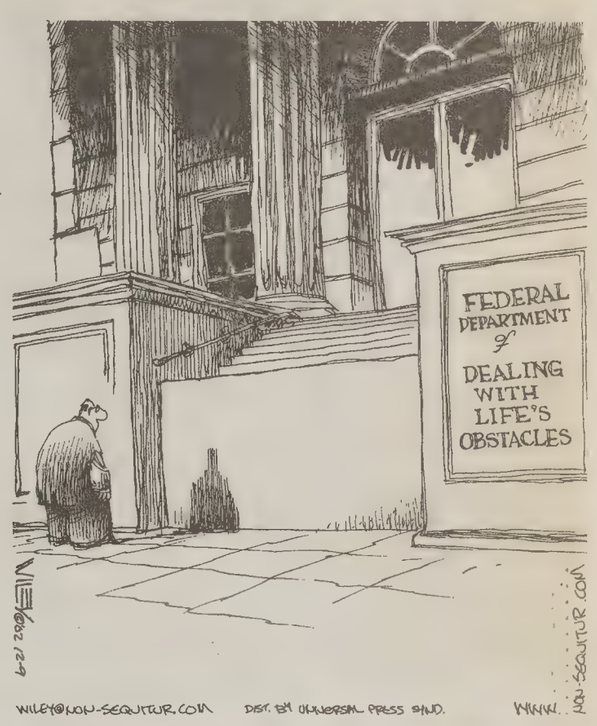

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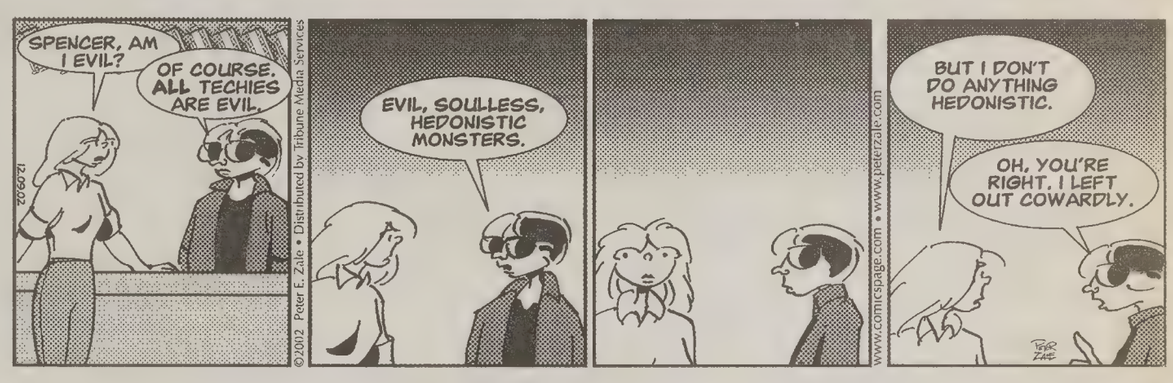
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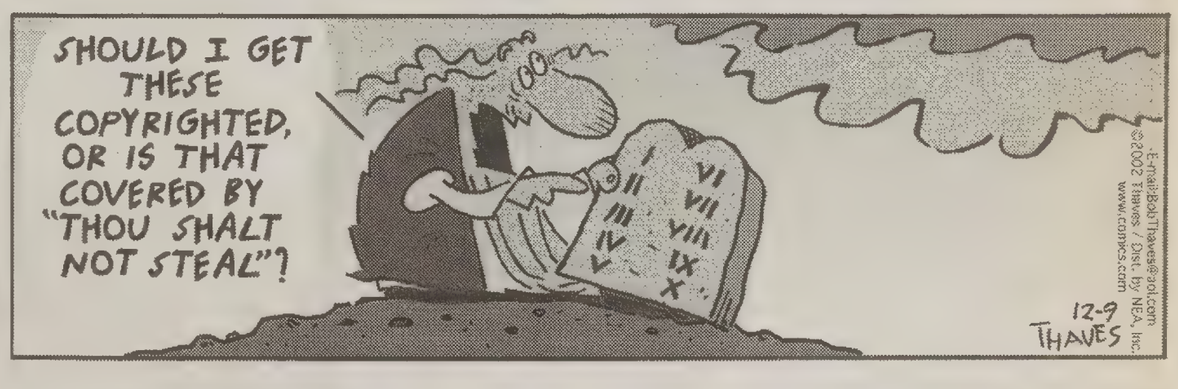

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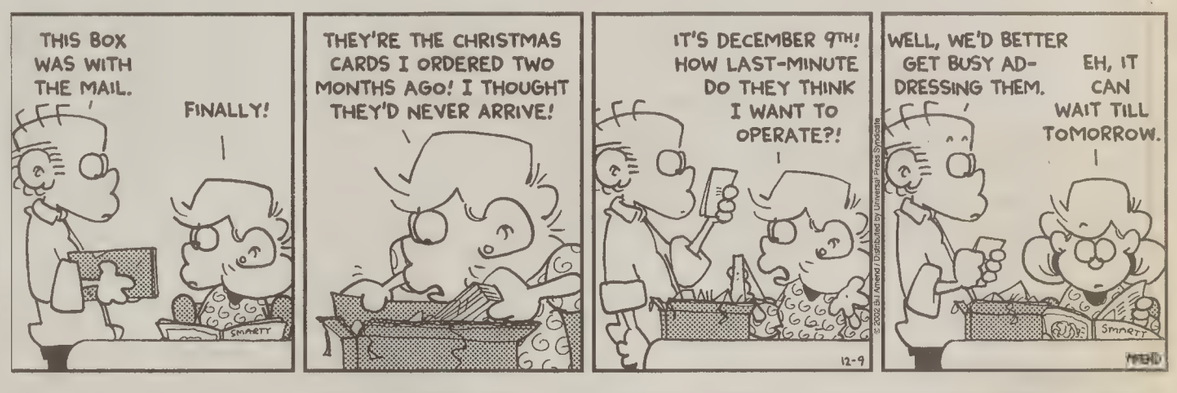
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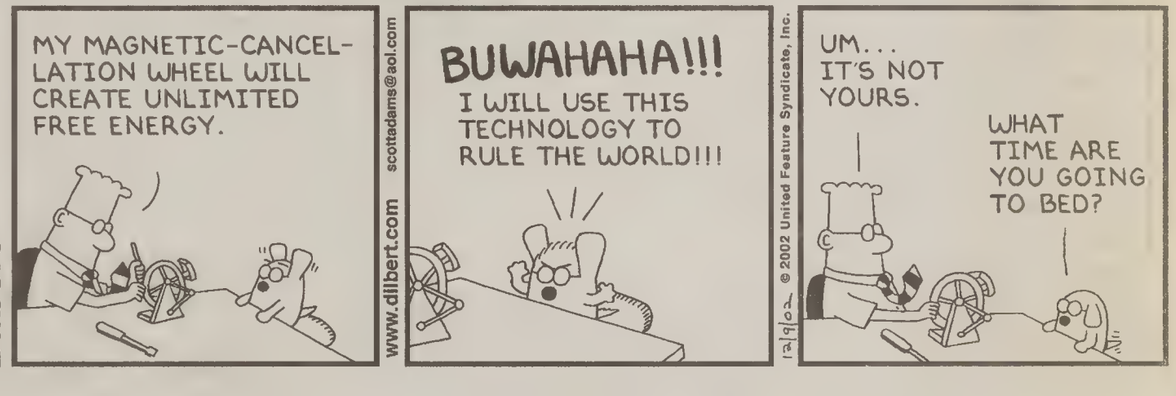
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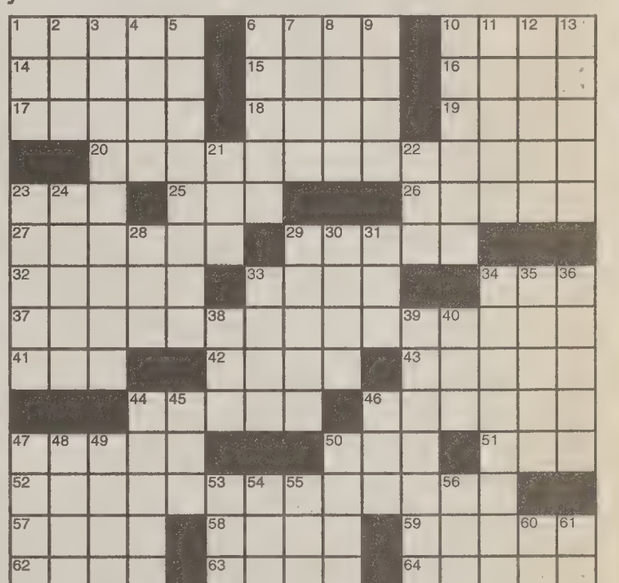

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The "We Three Kings" exhibit is made entirely out of candy.

Provo candy windows portray famous carols

By SHANA HELPS

Christmas displays made from candy were revealed Friday in the windows of four Provo businesses.

In an effort to promote downtown, the Provo Arts Council sponsored the candy displays in windows on Center Street, said Kathryn S. Allen, Provo Arts Council executive director.

This is the third year that the candy displays have been in Provo. This year's theme is Christmas carols. Volunteer artists chose songs around which to center their displays.

The artists had a $1,500 budget to create their windows.

"You see these windows and it's amazing what can be done with candy," Allen said.

"They're beautiful. They're artistic. They're creative. I think magical is the best word," she said.

Jenny Wilson's display shows "We Three Kings" in the Mullet Hoover window. This is her second year to create a display.

Wilson volunteered to create a candy display because she saw it as an opportunity to do something amazing, she said.

Wilson enjoyed the candy displays that used to be at ZCMI, in Salt Lake, when she was younger.

"It just touched something inside of me," she said.

Raelyn and Bill Webster used 50 pounds of Jelly Belly beans in their "Little Drummer Boy" display at Osaka Restaurant.

"I always dreamed about doing candy windows," Raelyn Webster said. "It's a lot more challenging than you think."

The Websters also created a candy display last year.

"I just thought it would be fun to do a nativity scene in candy," Raelyn Webster said.

The candy scenes will be taken down on New Year's Eve, and thrown away.

"None of this candy's really edible," said Rebecca Lloyd, Provo Arts Council associate. "It's got caulking and stuff."

Midway cultural crèche displays draw crowds

By ELIZABETH STOHLTON

More than 600 nativities set the scene for the Interfaith Crèche Exhibit held this weekend in Midway.

Nativities from 70 countries including Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Germany, Portugal, Italy, Mexico and 10 religious denominations adorned the tables.

Holly Zenger started the Interfaith Crèche Exhibit in Utah several years ago, said Janet Athay, a volunteer at the exhibit.

Zenger started the exhibit in her home one year, but after 4,500 guests came to see the nativities in just four days, she said she decided to move the exhibit to a local Latter-day Saint stake center, Athay said.

People from many religions donate crèches made from a variety of materials such as wood, cornhusks and metal for the four-day exhibit.

Athay said once people see the exhibit, they want to start collecting their own nativities.

"They're fun to collect," said Dixie Fuller, a volunteer at the exhibit. "People have knacks for finding them. If you look in gift shops, you'll always find at least one."

Don and Vickie Phippen said they have seen crèche exhibits in Brazil, Heber and at BYU.

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A family checks out the nativity sets from around the world on display in Midtown.

"We love crèches," Vickie Phippen said. "For people like us who enjoy them, it's wonderful."

It's interesting to see how everyone depicts the nativity and the Christ child, she said.

The Interfaith Crèche Exhibit is part of the Swiss Christmas in Midway. The town participates in three activities during the weekend: the Gingerbread house display and auction, Swiss Christmas at the town hall and the Interfaith Crèche Exhibit. The finale to the weekend is the Christmas tree lighting ceremony.

"It's a really nice way to start the Christmas season," said Gini Hansen, a volunteer for the crèche exhibit.

Hansen said she likes how the nativities represent the different cultures and their interpretation of the nativity.

"Some are very primitive," Hansen said. "Some are very polished. Some are very simple. Some are very intricate."

Barbara Whitney ha attended the exhibit for thr years.

"For me, it's spiritual uplifting," Whitney said. "It ge me in the proper spirit for th Christmas season. Just to s that all cultures believe in th birth of the Christ child ar how it affects the whole world.

The oldest crèche in th exhibit dates back to 1890 fro Puerto Rico.

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Season Letdown

Marketing Woes Hit Cougar Fans

By DAVE JOHNSON

As I watched the remaining seconds slip away at Rice-Eccles Stadium, it became abundantly clear that our Cougar Football team was not going to win the last game of the season, securing that modicum of respectability: the .500 record. The game ended and I sat and thought. I couldn't remember a season so absolutely wretched since ... well, since forever.

Now, it's important that you know — I've been a Cougar fan since birth. Large portions of my childhood memories revolve around the Cougs. Every morning I awoke to my parents belting, "Rise all loyal Cougars." In Arizona, as a child I was asked why every church building had a satellite dish. I replied, "So we can get the BYU football games." And if you want even more proof, I can pronounce even the most complicated multi-syllabic Polynesian name with the greatest of ease.

When I arrived home after the game I did some research, and it seems there is actually a reason why this season felt like the most pitiful effort ever. It's because IT IS!

The last time BYU had a record this deplorable was in 1970 under Tom Hudspeth. Wow, Tom Hudspeth — now there's a name I've always connected with Cougar greatness.

If my math is correct, then I don't have a single peer in any of my classes who would have been alive, much less old enough, to remember the '70 Cougs 3-8 disaster. However, lest I be accused of giving Brother Hudspeth the short end of the stick, the '70 team did tie for seventh in the conference, whereas we own the No. 7 spot outright. Oh wait, what am I saying, tying for seventh is another way of saying sharing last place.

Now, I'm a fair-minded man so it should be stated that even the great LaVell Edwards had a 5-6 losing effort in his second year as head coach, although finishing in the center of the conference.

This year's 5-7 record probably wouldn't have been so hard to swallow if we hadn't had such powerful athletic marketing enticing us to follow the team with such fervor. Who can really say no to the request, "Bring the family, Bring a casserole?" I know I can't. "Please hold to the iron rod until you safely reach your seat." Yeah, tell that to the girl who needed seven stitches in her forehead after a run-in with a flying corn tortilla. "The best offense is a good offense." How about, the best offense is one that outscores the other team.

Well for all you downtrodden Cougar fans let me share with you a ray of hope. Historically in the year following a losing football season, women's volleyball has been unstoppable. Over the past 35 years, the combined record of the women's team has been 59-8 in such years. So good luck coach Karen Lamb and all you lady Cougars. History is on your side.

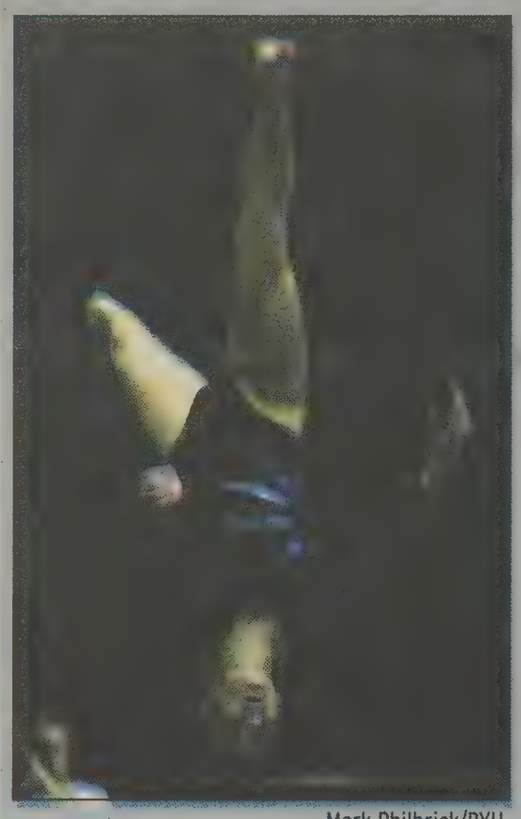
Women's Gymnastics Hopes To Raise The Bar

By BETHANY SORENSEN

After falling short of nationals in last year's regional meet, the 2003 BYU women's gymnastics team plans to land this year's routine.

But the perfect 10 isn't easy to score.

With the loss of several seniors, including All-American Kelly Parkinson-Evanson, who holds the BYU record for 39.700 in the all-around, BYU will have to get their balance before the start of the season Jan. 17.



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Head coach Brad Cattermole said he's looking for strong performances from the whole team this year.

"This year is going to be a team effort," he said. "It's hard to replace someone like Kelly who sets the school record just about every time she does something, but we're actually looking pretty good, better than I thought we would be."

Based on their success in the 2002 season, junior Kari Dye-Lords and sophomore Jaime Mabray are the anticipated leaders for this year's team.

But, every BYU gymnast will need to score their personal best in order to beat out tough competitors like Utah, Oregon State and Missouri.

"The best defense is to hit your stuff," Cattermole said. "If we hit all of our routines, then we put the pressure on the other team to do the same."

Sounds unfair, but near perfection is what nails the win.

"Who goes to nationals is typically decided by a couple of tenths," the coach said. "One little mistake can cost you a tenth or two and before you know, you get knocked out and you're watching nationals on TV."

As long as BYU can avoid injuries, Coach Cattermole says the season outlook is positive.

"The group is coming together well," he said. "It's hard to replace kids like [Kelly], but if other people step up and excel as a group, the team can do real well."

Indoor Athletes Heat Up The Track

By JEREMY TWITCHELL

The indoor track season gives athletes a chance to begin competition while waiting for the snow to melt and the regular track and field season to begin.

This year, it also gives the member's of BYU's indoor track team a chance for redemption.

After 11 straight conference championships, last year's team finished in second place at the Mountain West Conference championships. They lost a close race with Colorado State by nine points in the finals.

"It was a let down, because we were ready to go in and win it," assistant coach Leonard Myles-Mills said. "It was just bad luck. We fell short in some events and lost a lot of points."

The team has been working hard since mid-September to reclaim its place at the top, and based on what he has seen in practices, Myles-Mills said he feels the team has a good chance at doing so.

"Practices have gone very, very well," he said. "Everyone looks good. They're getting stronger and healthier, and we hope to maintain that and go for a conference championship."

"Since we lost last year, we know what we fell short in and we've stepped up training in those areas," he said. "Our guys are stronger and more determined now, and we're going to be good."

The team will be without one of last year's key members, pole-vaulter Jeff Hansen. Hansen, a senior last year, was the national champion in indoor pole vault.

Despite that loss, however, Myles-Mills said there are many new members of the team that could make a big contribution.

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"The team is always full of surprises," he said. "We've got a few returned missionaries that are working hard, and we had some other returned missionaries last year that did well. You never know what they can do."

Junior Matt Rowe, who runs in the 400-meter and 4x4 relay, said he is optimistic for the team's potential.

"We have a lot of new guys this year, and we have a lot of potential," he said. "A few guys are injured, but once they can get healthy, we should do well."

Rowe said the team has talked about its hopes for the year, and is working on making goals.

"We've all talked about it," he said. "We all know we want to go to Nationals and do well, but we haven't officially made a goal yet."

One thing Rowe said will help the team is the addition of a new regional meet this year, which should make it a little easier to qualify for Nationals.

The team's first meet is the Boise State Invitational on Jan. 18.

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Head coach Gary Crowton speaks to the press after a game.

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BYU's Rafael Paal soars above the net to send a kill over the hands of the defenders in a game last season.

At the Net

New Coach Hopes to Take National Championship for Cougs

By MATT MONTAGUE

With a new head coach, the BYU men's volleyball team looks to continue its string of successes.

In May of this year, BYU Athletic Director Val Hale announced that Tom Peterson would be the new head coach.

A BYU alum, Peterson has over 17 years of head coaching experience, but most recently has helped rebuild women's programs at New Mexico, Utah State and Salt Lake Community College.

Peterson has some big shoes to fill, however, as he replaces former head coach Carl McGowan.

"No one will ever replace Carl," Peterson said. "In my opinion, he is the most brilliant mind in volleyball. He has trained volleyball players better than anyone else in the world. It is going to be an ominous task to keep up the tradition he has established over the years."

In his 14 years at BYU McGowan won two national championships.

Peterson also has a national championship under his belt as he led the Nittany Lions of Penn State to the title in 1994. He plans on doing the same at BYU.

"Our goal is to win the NCAA Championship," Peterson said.

BYU returns a lot of players from last year's team, including junior middle blocker Chris Gorney, junior outside hitter John Alleman, senior outside hitter Luca Slava and sophomore setter Carlos Moreno.

The Cougars also welcome redshirt freshman middle blocker Mike Burke to the lineup this year. Burke is looking forward to the up-tempo pace that Peterson brings to the team.

"He's quite a bit different than Carl but they have a lot of the same philosophies. Coach Peterson coaches a lot faster and there is a faster game strategy and it is a lot more fun to watch."

The average height on the Cougars' squad is about 6-5 while other teams in their conference may be slightly taller.

However, BYU plans to compensate for the height disadvantage with their athletic ability.

"We're not a huge team compared to others," Peterson said. "These guys are great athletes. They have the highest jumps in the world by far. We have five or six guys that are above or close to a vertical leap of 40 inches."

BYU went 7-1 in the off-season and opens this season with an exhibition match in the Smith Fieldhouse on Jan. 10 against the Canadian College Champions from Red Deer College.

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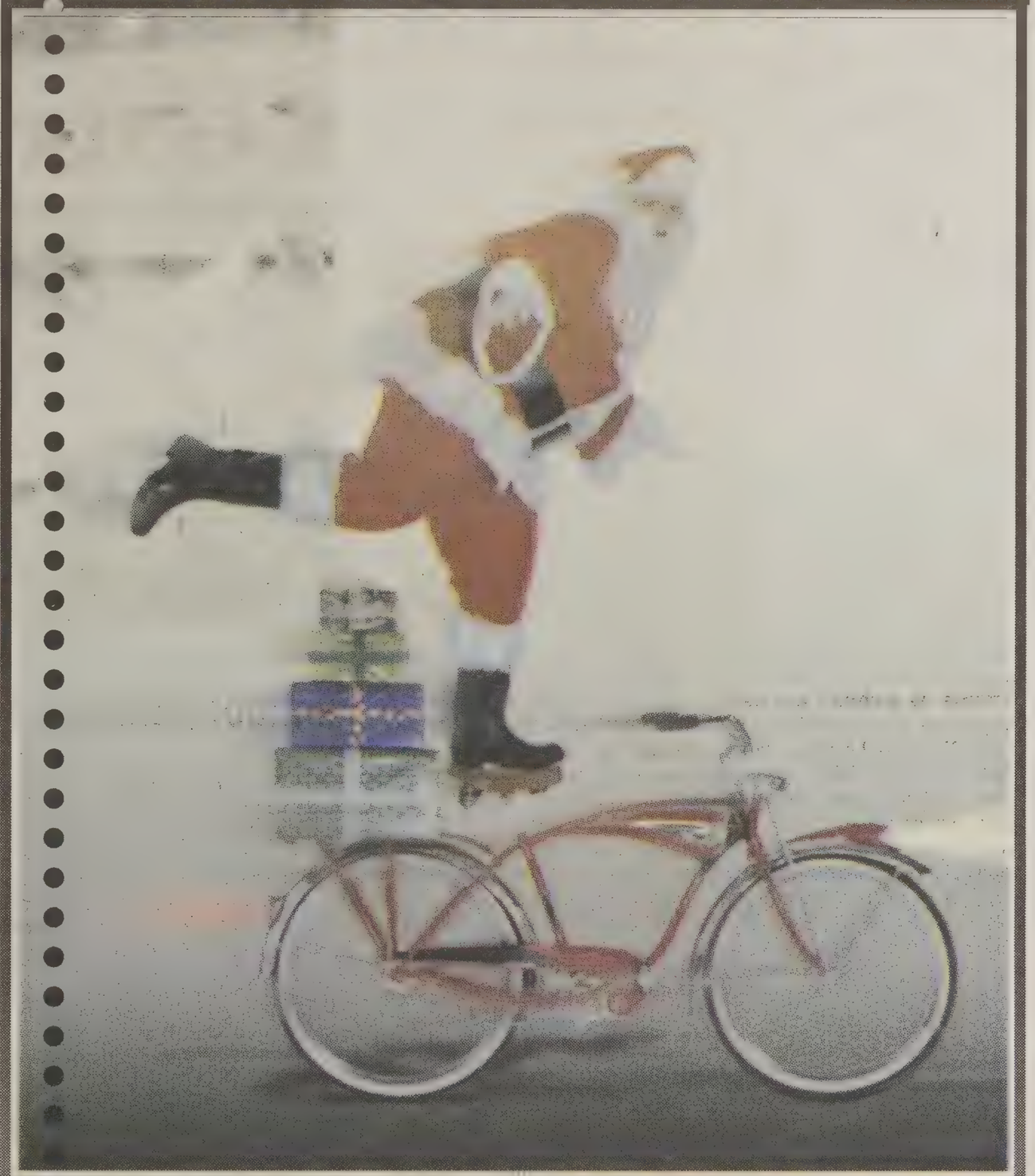

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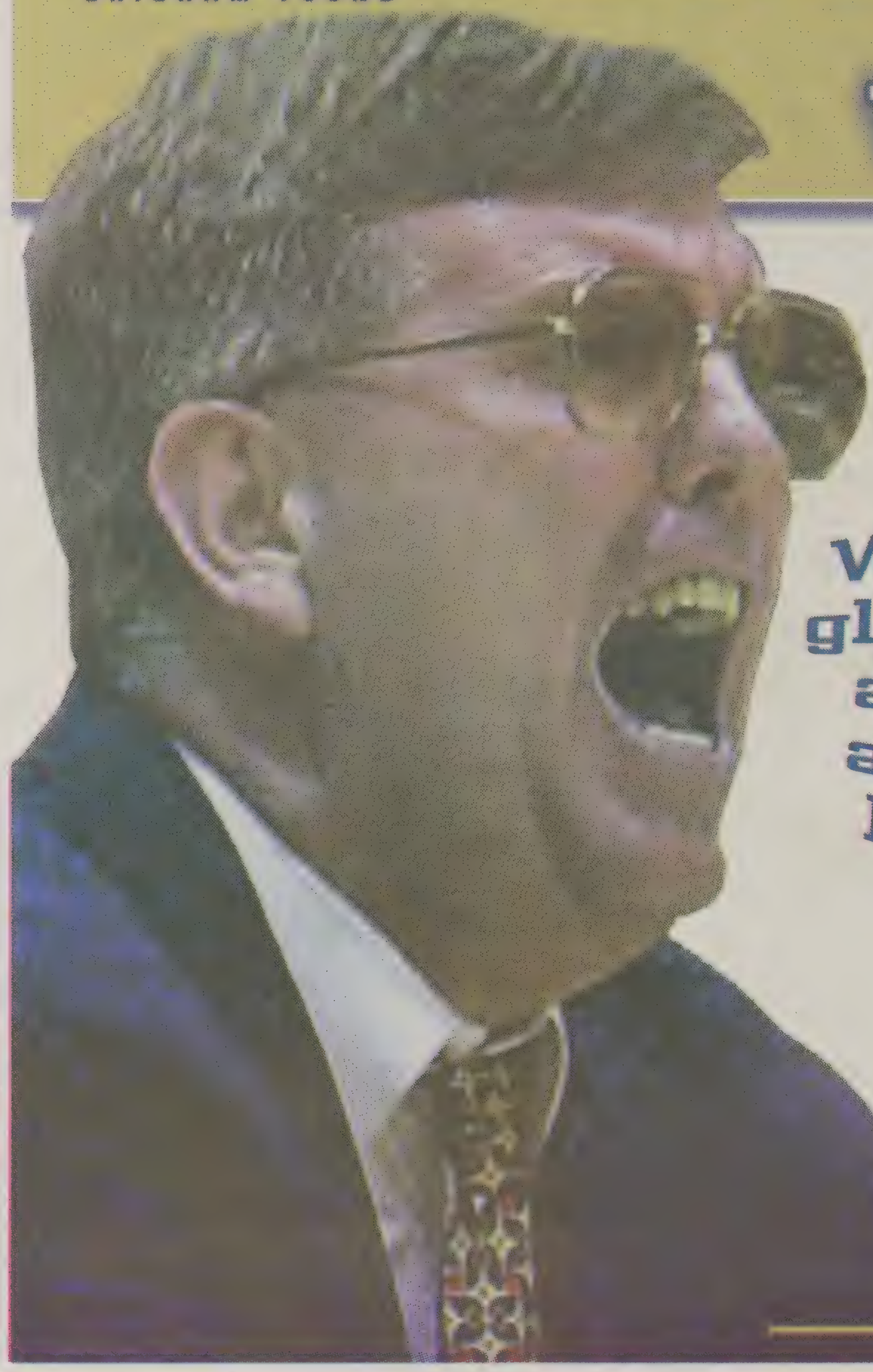

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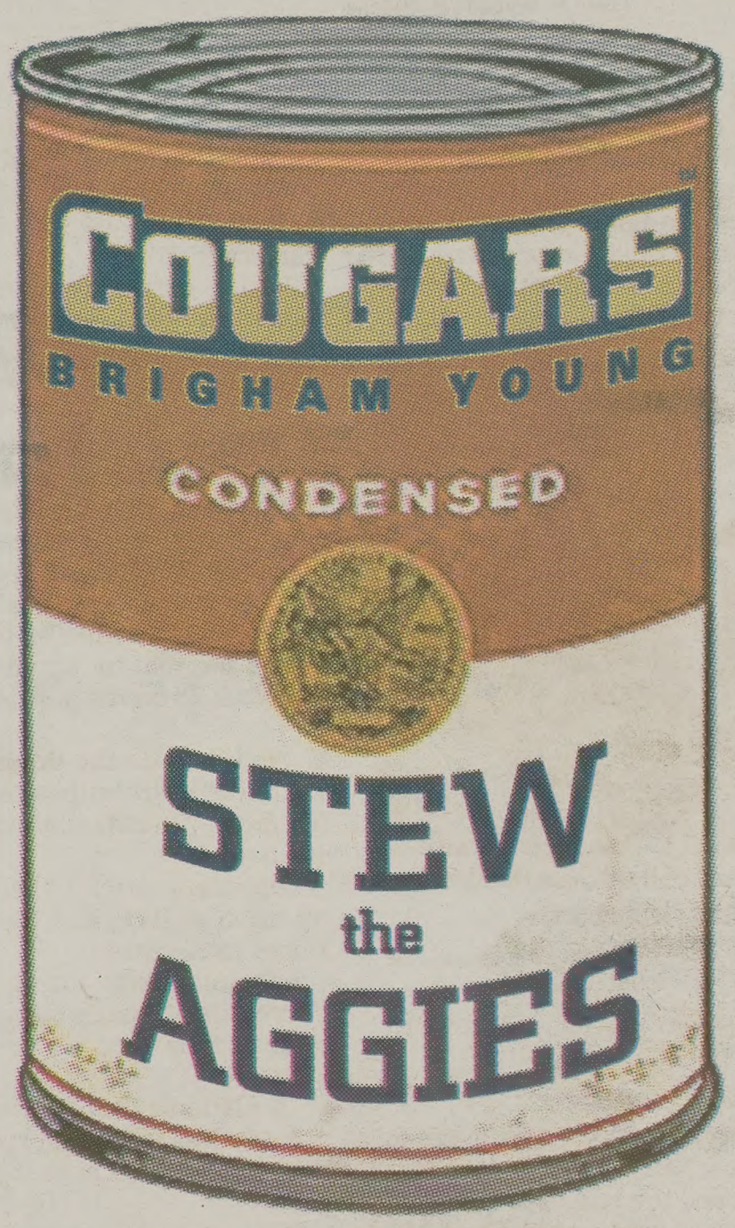

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The Best and the Worst

The Moments We Won't Forget, And Those We Wish We Could

Left: Marcus Whalen kicked off the season with a whopping 99-yard run against Syracuse. Photo by Heather Winn
Above: Kip Nielsen takes down Ute Antwoine Sanders in the season ender.
Photo by Morgan Van Wagoner

By RYAN HOPE and JARED LLOYD

The 2002 BYU football season is over, closed out with losses in their final two games. It is time to look back on the 2002 campaign and remember what went right . . . and what didn't.

We've put together our Top Five list of memories from the past four months. These are the things we think are worth remembering for the long months until football returns again to Provo.

THE BEST

5. Last Drive against Wyoming.

A couple of mistakes allowed the Cowboys to take a late, 31-28 lead in Provo. Berry rallied the team, driving BYU down until he found tightend Gabe Reid for the game-winning touchdown.

"It feels good to win," Crowton said. "We made some mistakes and we played pretty good. We are getting better."

4. Top 25 Ranking.

It was brief, but a couple of early wins gave the Cougars a Top 25 ranking. After the Hawaii victory, BYU cracked the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll at No. 24. It was the 23rd time in the last 27 years the Cougars have been ranked.

3. Matt Payne's dominating season.

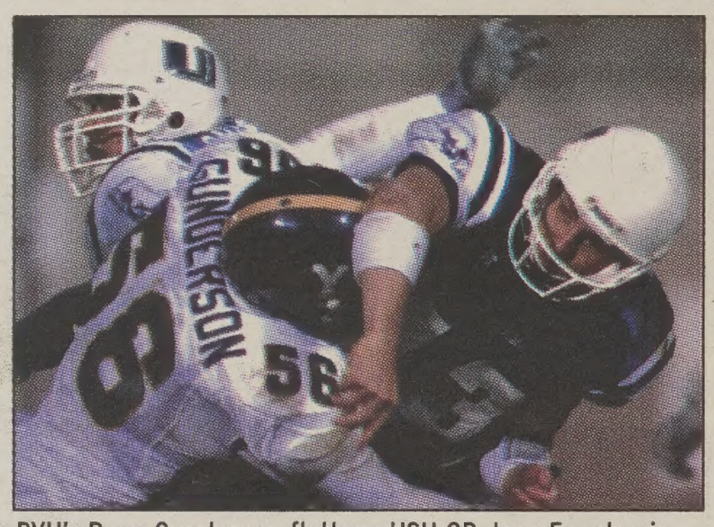
There's little doubt that punter/kicker Matt Payne had the best season of anyone on the team. After a rocky start against Syracuse, Payne exploded to score 66 points (13-16 field goals and 27-30 PATs). He also averaged a whopping 47.6 yards/punt and 11 time pinned opponents inside their 20-yard line.

2. Second half comeback at Utah State.

BYU trailed the lowly USU Aggies 34-7 heading into halftime. Losers of two straight, it looked like another defeat was coming. But the Cougars, behind running back Curtis Brown's career day, charged back. With 6:46 remaining, QB Bret Engemann found Reid in the end zone to give BYU the lead for good.

1. Win over Syracuse.

The Cougars opened the season against the Orangeman, a team that dismantled BYU two years earlier. Engemann looked sharp, giving the Cougars an early lead, but Syracuse fought back. The second half, however, belonged to the home team and BYU pulled away, winning 42-21. Cougar supporters had visions of 2001 glory repeated. Those would dim in Reno, but after that August win, the sky was the limit.



BYU's Ryan Gunderson flattens USU QB Jose Fuentes in the game remembered for BYU's comeback.
Colton Tidwell/SportZone

THE WORST

5. Offensive Struggles.

The Cougars' offense was anemic in home losses to UNLV on Oct. 19, and against New Mexico on Nov. 16.

Against UNLV, BYU turned the ball over six times and was only able to put three points on the board in a 24-3 loss. The Rebels scored 14 points on defensive touchdowns, and a third touchdown was the result of a Cougar turnover.

BYU struggled to amass 188 yards of total offense against New Mexico in a 20-16 loss.

The Cougars' offense did not score a touchdown and turned the ball over twice.

4. Injury setbacks.

Prior to the start of the season, senior offensive tackle Ben Archibald and freshman defensive end C.JO Ah You suffered season-ending injuries.

Archibald suffered a compound fracture to his leg and Ah You tore his ACL. Both were projected starters.

Junior cornerback Jernaro Gilford, a 2001 all Mountain West Conference first team performer, also missed five games this season due to leg problems which significantly affected his play.

3. The quarterback controversy.

Junior quarterback Bret Engemann's struggles resulted in a midseason quarterback controversy.

Engemann was replaced after six games by freshman Matt Berry who started the final six games.

Many wanted true freshman Ben Olson to assume the offensive controls, but Olson's announcement midseason that he would serve a mission, cemented Berry's hold on the position.

2. No bowl for the Cougs

After 29 years without a losing season, the Cougars finished 5-7 in 2002 and were not eligible for a postseason bowl.

Legendary coach LaVell Edwards made winning a tradition at BYU, and the Cougars attended 22 bowl games in 27 years.

Edwards' only losing season was his second. Current head coach Gary Crowton hopes he has the same fortune.

1. A difficult loss to Utah

A 13-6 loss to in-state rival Utah was tough to swallow, especially because the Cougars should have won 20-13.

BYU fumbled twice inside Utah's 10-yard line, denying the Cougars two touchdown opportunities.

In celebration, Ute fans stormed the field, tore down both goal posts and carried coach Ron McBride off the field.

The loss assured BYU of a losing season and kept the Cougars out of postseason action.

Women's Softball On Deck

Mark Philbrick/BYU

ugar softball pitcher winds up for a fast one during a
e last season.

By KURT PLASTER

This year the BYU women's softball team will have a new coach guiding the Cougars to a hopeful conference championship and beyond.

After last season's disappointing end, head Coach Mary Kay Amicone stepped down because of differences in coaching philosophies with the administration.

In July, assistant coach Gordon Eakin was named the new head coach having been an assistant since the team's first year in 1999.

"We are lucky to have the knowledge we have in our coaching staff," junior shortstop Kate Walker said. "This year there is a more positive aura throughout the team. The team is getting along better."

With that foundation in place, the team is now focusing on improving upon last season's inconsistent performance.

"Last season we had a fast start and a slow finish," Eakin said. "We want to have better consistency throughout. This will take staying free from injury. Everybody must strive for a common goal."

The team returns a solid nucleus from last season but fans will also see some new faces this season. "We have a blend of youth and experience," Eakin said.

Eakin said the players to watch include junior Oli Keohohou, a two time first team All-American. Eakin said she could challenge for the NCAA Home Run record of 90 because she already has 40 after two years.

Eakin also said other players who are key to the team's success include senior left fielder Brooke Cadiente and sophomore Lauren Watson who has both speed and power. "We also have a strong supportive cast of players," Eakin said.

Eakin also stressed the importance of this season's pitching. "We will use the depth of our pitching staff to win," Eakin said.

Returning pitchers include senior Cynthia Fallowfield, sophomore Niki Anderson, and senior Mandy Flint.

"The pitching looks wonderful. We are going to have some awesome pitching this year," Cadiente said.

The combination of pitching and power hitting should lead to a successful season that will be entertaining to watch. "We are going to hit a lot of home runs," Cadiente said. "We have a lot of power hitters. We expect to score a lot of runs."

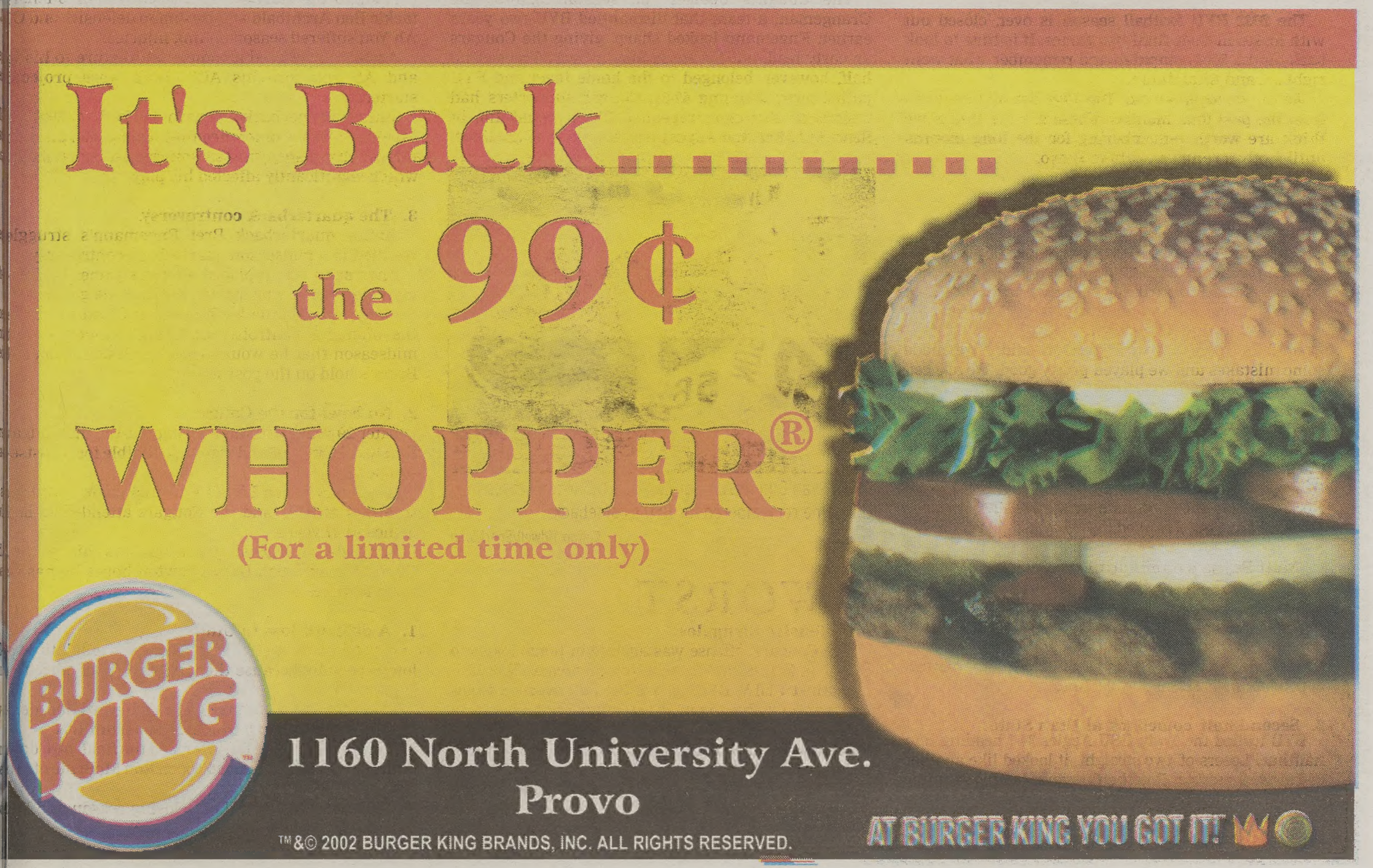
Eakin said for now the team has set its sights on winning the conference title. Although he said, San Diego State and Utah are always tough teams and will be strong again this year.

"I would expect to challenge for the title baring any injuries," Eakin said.

Players on the team expect a great season as well. "We're going to perform really well," Cadiente said. "We have a lot of potential and I have no doubt that we have great abilities."

"We have goals to get better everyday," Walker said. "I think we will do better than we expect we will do. We will surprise some teams."

Eakin said he hopes to see the fans coming out to support this year's team. "We are exciting to watch," Eakin said. We have the nicest facility in the country. It is a great place to watch."



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